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NATIONAL COLLAPSE IN MUKDEN SECTOR

Government Armies Facing Annihilation In Manchuria GENERAL EVACUATION ON

Shanghai, October 30. Scattered reports from the North today strengthened indications that the Government's Mukden pocket is nearing collapse following heavy fighting in the Chinkien corridor.

With large Red forces closing in on Mukden from the North, North East and East, a panicky general evacuation of the city by air and by the city's only land link with the coast is in full swing.

The remaining Government Manchurian army of 200,000 men is feared to be facing total collapse as it is now caught between two powerful Communist pincers blocking its line of retreat to Johol province.

The Reds yesterday captured virtually destroyed in a major battle West of the city. The Communists, menacing the Northern outskirts, had advanced from Changchun after seizing Hsiching, 40 miles North of Mukden.

Independent reports from Mukden said the Reds had driven out the Nationalists from Hsinliu and Hsiaomin, 60 and 40 miles respectively West of Mukden. The reports said the Government troops were retreating back to Mukden in trucks and foot.

South West of Mukden, a strong Communist cavalry force was said to be only five miles from the city.

The three commercial airlines—CAT, CNAC and CATEC—which have been supplying Mukden for months by airlift operations, were said to have suspended their services.

The Chinese Red radio this morning did not make any claims regarding Mukden but devoted its broadcast to a rehashing of yesterday's claims of annihilation of 12 Kuomintang divisions west of Mukden.

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US To Leave Tsingtao?

It added that the 90th Nationalist Army, which surrendered at Changchun along with the Comman- dant General, Wu Han-wen, has been incorporated into the Communist ranks and is now fighting against its former comrades.

In Washington, high-ranking Government officials were reported to be considering the evacuation of American naval forces from the Communist-threatened port of Tsingtao.

Authoritative defence sources said that Lieutenant General Albert Wedemeyer, top expert on China, is reviewing the plight of President Chiang Kai-shek's armies with naval officers—Associated Press United Press and

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Four Armies Lost

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Big Defections Reported

Nanking, October 30.

Defeat and defection are twin spectres tormenting Nationalist China, as Manchurian reports reflect something dangerously near wholesale collapse.

On the two, defection carries the greatest menace to Chiang Kai-shek's tottering regime. Nationalist China can still fight back and could hold out for a long time yet. But if armies are going over to the enemy without a fight, as has been ominously hinted from many quarters, that game very well could be up all the way from Mukden to the Yangtze, and even farther South.

Defection of Government troops, demoralised by limited supplies, low pay and too much sitting around isolated garrisons, has taken place for more than a year. But the fall of Tsingtao in Shantung provided the first definite proof of big-scale defection. The Government admitted that a division commander and most of his men went over to the Reds there and

To Stop Where?

Now Red claims of destruction of 12 divisions near Tshushan, South West of Mukden, have been followed by waves of rumours that troops defected to the enemy and were not defeated in a fight. There is no way yet of evaluating these reports but subsequent events do not seem to contradict them.

If defection on such a scale is a fact, the most careful analysis of the civil war's future course will go out of the window. If Chiang's armies are beginning to give up on such a scale, where will it stop? The question arises: How much loyalty in remaining armies? Can any defence hold, even including the Yangtze and the defences of Nanking, Shanghai and the rich lands to the South? Military defection is a virus that spreads easily and reluctantly toward it.

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on the logistics of the Red armies rather than anything else. Most observers think the defection probably was even greater.

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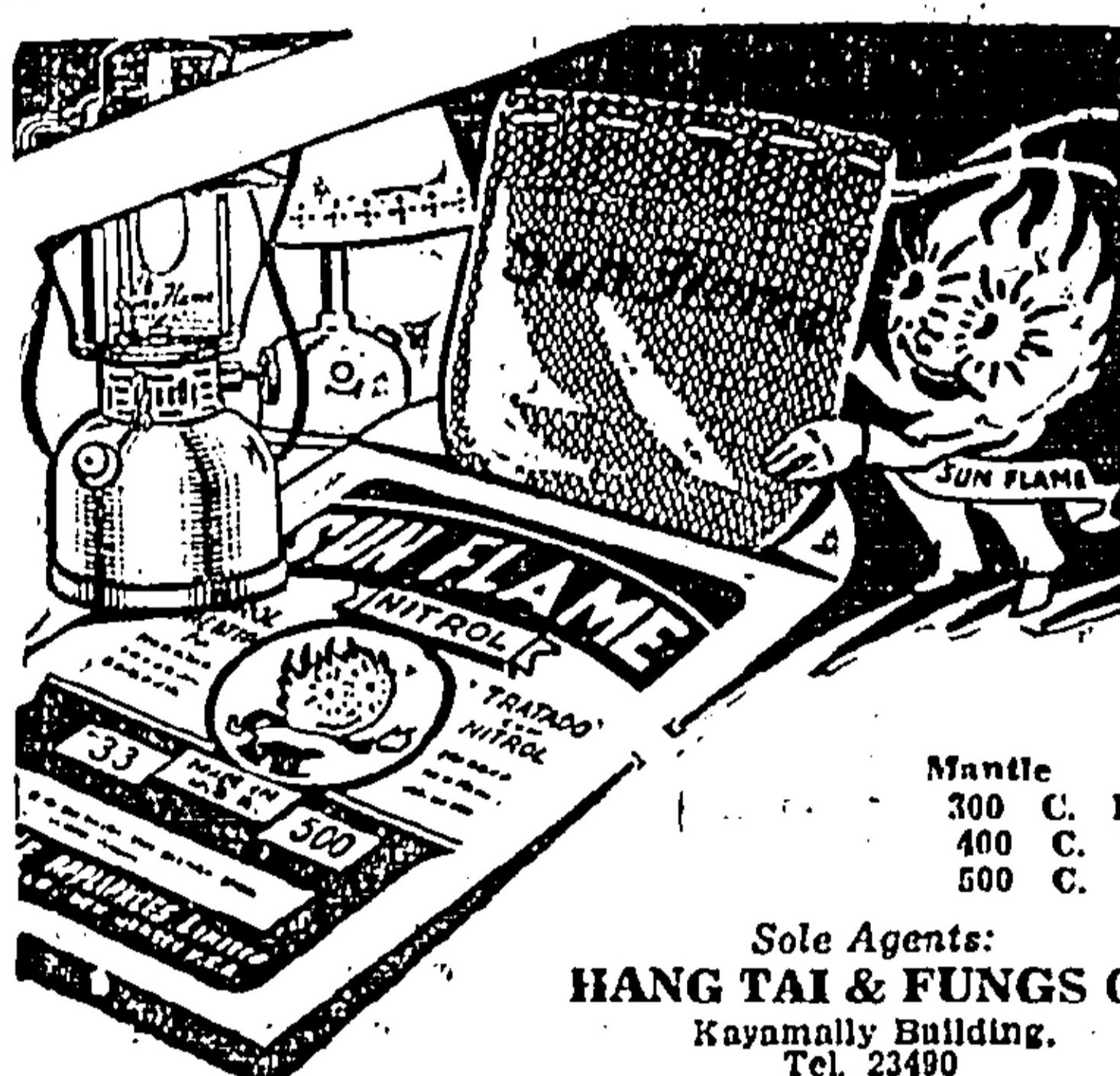


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WAR CRIMES TRIAL

JAP ATROCITIES AT CLUB IN SHANGHAI

Japanese atrocities at the Union Jack Club, Shanghai, were related to the War Crimes Court at Lyamun Barracks yesterday by Eric Davies, 64-year-old Welsh consulting engineer.

Davies was taken from Haiphong Road Camp to the Union Jack Club in March 1943 for questioning on charges of being a British agent, and there subjected to the water torture, the electric shock and the double block treatment.

Charged with responsibility for these atrocities was Lieutenant General Kinoshita Eichi, commanding officer of the Shanghai District Kempeitai.

Davies said he was removed from Haiphong Road Camp to the Union Jack Club on March 18, 1943, by the Japanese General.

The interrogation was conducted by an interpreter named Muramatsu and Sergeant Saito.

When witness denied the allegations made against him, the Japanese threw all sorts of things at him and threatened to burn him with lighted cigarette ends.

The Japanese could get nothing out of witness after two hours, he was returned to his cell which measured nine feet and 11 feet by 12 feet high, and which was formerly used as a cloak room for questioning.

His body missed a pedestrian by a few inches.

Kong landed on his head. His skull was completely smashed on the pavement. His face was injured beyond identification.

The tragic incident occurred shortly before 9 a.m. when the streets were filled with office workers.

Mr. Kong, who leaves a widow and two children, was a sports goods sales representative of the local office of Dunlop Rubber Company.

His jacket was found on a chair in Dunlop's offices in Mirinae House.

Paul Kong was a prominent tennis player. Twenty years ago he and Gordon Lum, represented China in the Davis Cup. He was an Interport player for Shanghai. He also took a prominent part in local tennis championships.

A member of the Chinese Recreation Club, Paul Kong played regularly for C.R.C. in the "A" Division of the Tennis League.

He always partnered Lee Wai-tong.

Food Punishment

His fellow cell mates at the time were four Chinese, one of whom was a banker, who had been terribly tortured, and was then undergoing a 100-day-without-food punishment.

They had to sleep on the floor.

A Japanese gendarme would open the door every hour, and the prisoners had to shout "all present".

The next morning witness was taken by Sergeant Saito to the interrogation room where he was again asked to admit the charges against him. When he denied the allegations he was taken into another room which was equipped with all the paraphernalia for administering the water torture and electric treatment to prisoners.

At the request of the Court Davies demonstrated on the floor how he was made to lie on a rack with his hands tied behind his back, an iron rod placed across his legs, and a rope tied round his neck.

Before the magistrate yesterday, Liu accepted all responsibility for practising and also for the possession of the poison.

She pleaded that she was ignorant of the local laws and produced two certificates in Chinese that she was allowed to practise in Chinese territory.

Mr. d'Almada informed her that the offence she had committed was a most serious one, as from the appearance of her instrument and the poison that she possessed, the lives of her customers were at stake.

Defendant readily agreed and asked for leniency.

Agonising Torture

This, explained witness, was known as the double block treatment whereby, by the manipulation of a wheel, the prisoner was made to double up. It was a most agonising torture, and witness showed the Court the scars at the back of his neck.

"As an engineer I know that the rack, constructed as it was, could have been for only one purpose, namely as an instrument of torture," said Davies.

As the double block treatment did not seem to satisfy the Japanese, Davies was subject also to the electric shock.

The next day, continued witness, he was again taken up to the torture chamber where that "little brute" Saito picked up a chair and with a swing lashed witness off his feet.

"You had better confess, because this foreigner knows all about you," witness was told.

Only Foreigner

The foreigner was a Russian named Count Tettschek who told Davies he was the only foreigner in the employ of the Japanese Gendarmerie in Shanghai. He produced a list in which witness's name was mentioned as being the head of a team of British agents in Shanghai.

Upon Davies denying the allegation, he was put to the electric torture which lasted several hours.

The same procedure was repeated the third day. After a slapping by Saito witness was asked to sign his confession.

"I decided to stall for time so I started writing my life history which contained nothing but good deeds," said Davies.

When his life history was translated, the Japanese were infuriated, Saito started off by giving him a few punches which permanently damaged the sight of his left eye.

Then followed a combination of the water torture, the electric shock and the rack treatment.

Lost Count

"During my imprisonment at Union Jack Club I had the water torture three times. The result my right ear is now deaf. I was given the rack five times, and for the electric shock I have lost count," said Davies.

As an example of what these tortures did to prisoners Davies said that once when a Chinese prisoner came back to the cell after that "little journey upstairs" he just dropped down dead.

In a cell opposite, which was formerly a telephone box, was another prisoner, J. J. Cook, who had lost his nerve. He told witness, "Eric, I will never get out, if you get out, pull the wire."

Davies said he was confined for 47 days at the Union Jack Club.

Before he was released on April 10-11th he was brought with a number of others in pieces of iron.

WATER DAY

The Engineering Society of Hong Kong meeting will be held at the Hotel House, 20, Mertonhill Road, 0.30 p.m.

"Davies walked up to Yip Sun, removed his glasses and said to me, 'Come to the Hotel House'."

"I said, 'What do you want?'"

"He said, 'I want to see you tomorrow, dinner at the

LADIES OF THE NIGHT IN COURT

Tam Hei-lin, aged 24, married woman, and Leung Ho, 38-year-old married woman, referred to by Sub-Inspector J. H. Evans as "ladies of the night," were fined \$25 by Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon for being found in enclosed premises.

Mr. Blenkinsop of the Kowloon Dock said that defendants were arrested by the gate watchman as they were about to leave at 7.40 a.m. yesterday. They admitted having spent the previous night on board one of the ships in Dock.

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Police Force Parade Before The Governor

The annual parade of 700 members of the Hong Kong Police Force and the Police Reserves of Happy Valley yesterday was watched by a large number of spectators.

H.E. the Governor, accompanied Captain A. P. F. Wilson, Aide-de-Camp, was met by Mr. R. S. Haigh-Brown, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Hon. Aide-de-Camp (Staff Officer 1).

After taking the salute, the Governor carried out the inspection, accompanied by the Commissioner of Police, Hon. D. W. MacIntosh, Mr. R. S. Haigh-Brown, Assistant Superintendent of Police and Mr. H. O. Ts'oo, Adjutant Police Reserves.

Footwear on the inspection the Governor presented a medal for gallantry to Detective Sergeant Lai Chan Tat-seng, who challenged a surprised robber in a crowded street, held his own although two attempts were made to shoot him point-blank range, and when ready wounded and disarmed the man.

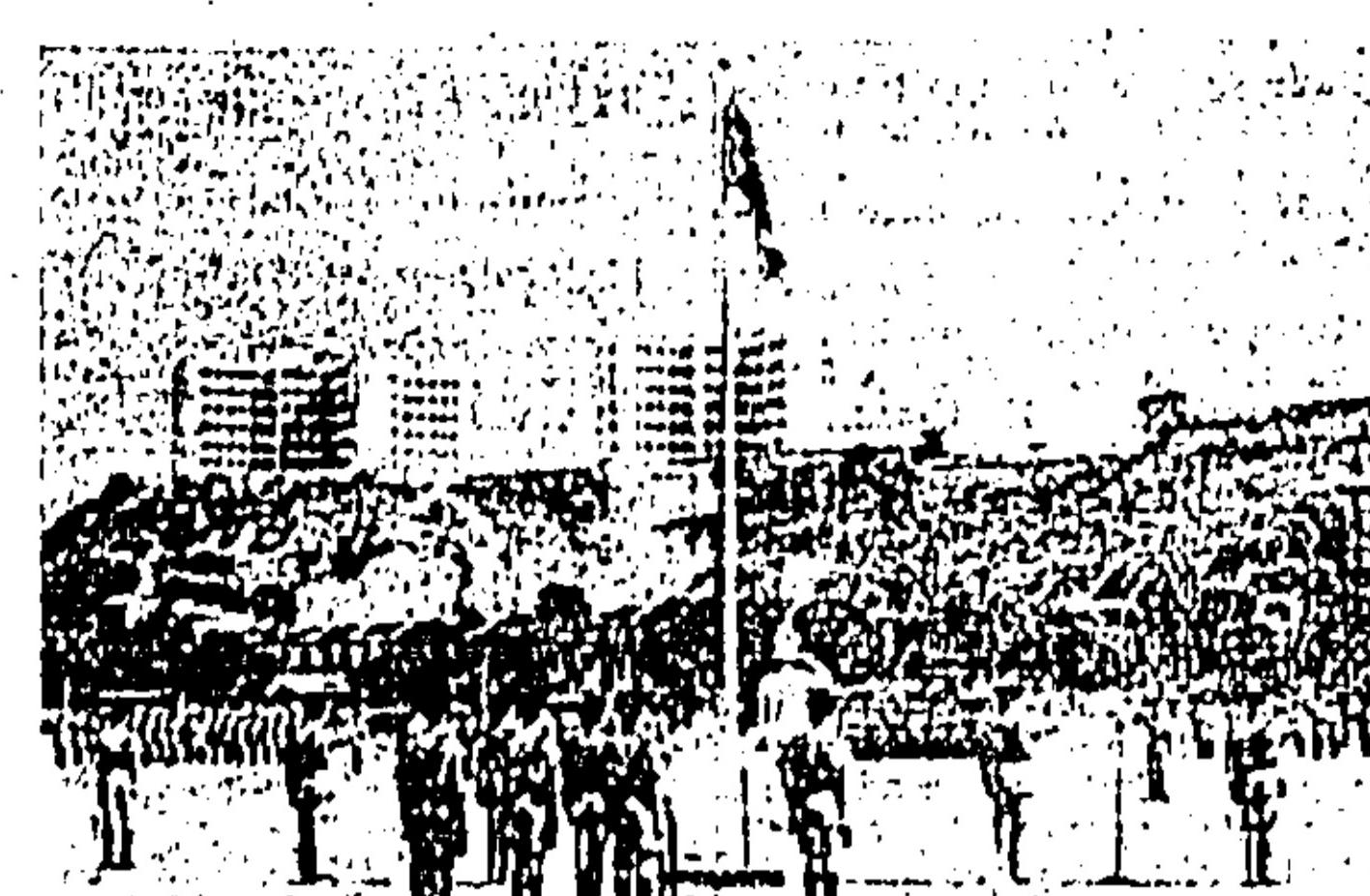
A medal for gallantry was also awarded to Corporal Tse Shui Yat Wan-hung, who challenged a suspect carrying a horse. The suspect drew a loaded pistol on the Corporal, who, after a long and fierce hand-to-hand struggle in a deserted lane, wounded and disarmed his man. A medal for meritorious service was awarded to Detective Sergeant Major Lu Muk, who is the senior subordinate detective officer in the Police Force. This officer played an outstanding part in the restoration of law and order under the British Military Administration, especially in Kowloon.

The medal party was presided over by Mr. J. A. Starke Assistant Superintendent of Police (Staff Officer 1). After the inspection the Governor addressed the parade briefly.

Smart On Duty

I congratulate you on the smartness of the turnout and the manner in which you have performed the various evolutions on the parade this morning. You are, I am glad to say, not mere smart on a formal parade like this, but also when you are performing your ordinary day-to-day duties. I make it my business to take particular note of every policeman I see whenever I am moving about Hong Kong, so I know what I am talking about.

Last year, when I spoke to you, I stated that I was well satisfied but that I expected further improvement. You have not disappointed me, for you have im-



H.E. the Governor taking the salute at the Annual Police Parade yesterday.—("Sunday Herald" Photo).

Gold Coming Back To Colony For Sale

Gold traffic between Hong Kong and China has been reversed with gold steadily flowing back to the Colony since the introduction of China's new currency of Gold Yuan on August 23.

In Hong Kong, safe from confiscation, the gold is being sold and the proceeds invested in platinum, diamonds, and shares, by the many Chinese nationals who have no confidence in the Gold Yuan currency.

Bullion and share brokers told the "Sunday Herald" yesterday that the past month has seen an exceptional increase in investments in local shares and purchases of platinum and diamonds.

They said that the introduction of the new currency in China has accelerated the flight of capital from various parts of China.

Gold has been pouring into Hong Kong from China during the past month and converted into platinum and diamonds and invested in shares.

The volume of gold from China to Hong Kong is expected to increase considerably shortly, the "Sunday Herald" was told, because of the lack of confidence of the people in the new currency issued by the Chinese National Government.

Transactions in platinum (.999 or .999) were done at HK\$572 each yesterday. Platinum of Japanese origin was sold at HK\$40 a tael.

Money Market

Gold was higher yesterday, opening at HK\$307 a tael and closing at \$307.62½. Fluctuations ranged from \$300.50 to \$308.12½. U.S. dollars continued steady at HK\$55.25½.

Pastures opened at HK\$9.02½ and closed at \$10.20 a 100.

Treasury was unchanged at HK\$25.70 a 100.

NEI Guilders made a further recovery to HK\$34 a 100.

Sterling was higher at HK\$13.98.

Australian pounds were unchanged at HK\$12.52.

Gold Yuan after a continuous climb the previous days, dropped back to 32½ cents yesterday, as against 56 cents on Friday.

PAA FARES IN HK CURRENCY

Pan-American World Airways' policy of collecting Hong Kong currency at the official rate of exchange for all trans-Pacific flights will be resumed tomorrow.

Passengers will be permitted to make payment at the official rate of exchange for passages through to San Francisco, Los Angeles, Sydney and Auckland.

ing Officer, Lt. Col. F. W. D. Parry and Officers.

Leading the march past was the Kowloon Command under Mr. K. A. Blamey, followed by Yau-tai (Mr. E. C. Luscombe), Shemshukpo (Mr. G. A. R. Wright-Nooth), Kowloon City (Mr. G. Ley), New Territories (Mr. N. B. Fraser), Marine Police (Mr. R. F. V. Turner), Police Training School (Mr. J. T. MacKenzie).

The Emergency unit which included the Kowloon Riot Unit, Guard of Honour and Hong Kong Riot Unit were under the command of Chief Inspector J. D. McCrae, Chief Inspector D. Clark, Sub-Inspector Saunders and Chief Inspector G. A. Carruthers respectively.

Mr. W. P. Thompson, Assistant Superintendent of Police was in charge of the Hong Kong Command followed by Central (Mr. E. Tyrer), Eastern (Mr. T. E. Clunie), Western (Mr. N. G. Rolph). The Traffic Division was under the command of Inspector T. Hunter.

The Hong Kong Police Reserves composed of two companies was under the command of Mr. T. O. Two. The first company was under Mr. S. W. Lee and the second company under Mr. Lau Shiu-chuen.

Mr. C. D. Blantford was in command of the Units of the Regular Mobile Party.

HK Police On Parade

MAGISTRATE COMMANDS CHINESE DETECTIVES FOR FOILING ROBBERY

"I command you on your conduct in this case. You have been very observant. I am putting this commendation on the records of the case and shall have it brought to the attention of the Commissioner of Police."

The commendation was made by Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday after he had passed sentence on two unemployed Chinese whose attempt to commit an armed robbery was foiled by Detective-Sergeant Li Chau-shing and Detectives Tai Kwan and Lau Shui on the night of October 18.

Defendants: Tsang Leung-mui, aged 21, and Tsang Ham-tai, aged 22, who admitted the charges of possession of a revolver and four rounds of ammunition, and conspiring to commit an armed robbery, at Apilu Street, were sentenced to a total of two years' hard labour, each.

Detective-Inspector C. Downman said that at 10.40 p.m. on October 18, Det.-Sgt. Li and Dets. Tai and Lau were on patrol duty at Nan Chang Street when they saw the two accused walking in their direction. The first defendant was pulling at his jacket, and this aroused the suspicions of Det.-Sgt. Li.

When the two men saw the police they turned into Kiu-lun Street. On the instructions of Det.-Sgt. Li, Tai Kwan hurried after the two men, got in front of them, and told them to put their hands up for a search.

Det.-Sgt. Li got hold of the first accused, and Det. Lau the second. On being searched, a hard object was felt under the first accused's jacket. This proved to be a Smith and Weston five-chambered revolver which had been changed into a two-chambered single-shot gun, tucked inside the girdle.

Stupid Fellow
Told by Det.-Sgt. Li that he was going to be arrested for possession of a gun, the first accused said, "We have come to Hong Kong from the country. We have no money. He are going out to look for a stupid fellow to get some money so that we could go back to the country."

When searched in the police station, two bullets were found in the pocket of second accused's inner shorts, said Det.-Inspector Downman.

Accused told the police that they were given the gun by Kong Chuen and that they have arranged to meet him outside the Mong Kok Theatre to share the proceeds of any robbery they may commit.

Both men stated that they came to Hong Kong only a few days before their arrest. This was borne out by the occupants of 607 Reclamation Street who said that the men went there to try and get accommodation.

"There is no doubt that the accused were out to commit an armed robbery. I must ask for a very serious view of the case to be taken," said Det.-Inspector Downman.

Nine River Ships For The Yangtze

Nine specially-built vessels for China's rivers, are due to pass through Hong Kong on November 17 on a 12,000-mile voyage from Canada to Shanghai.

One of the vessels will remain in Hong Kong for a few days, after which she will sail for Canton to operate on South China rivers.

Built by the St. Lawrence Metal and Marine Works and Geo. T. Davey and Son in Quebec City, the fleet of nine aluminum super-structured vessels will be operated by the Ming Sung Industrial Company of Shanghai.

The company is the second largest shipping concern in China.

The eight vessels, which will continue their voyage to Shanghai after touching at Hong Kong, will be operated on the Yangtze River along which for centuries small craft have been the only boats

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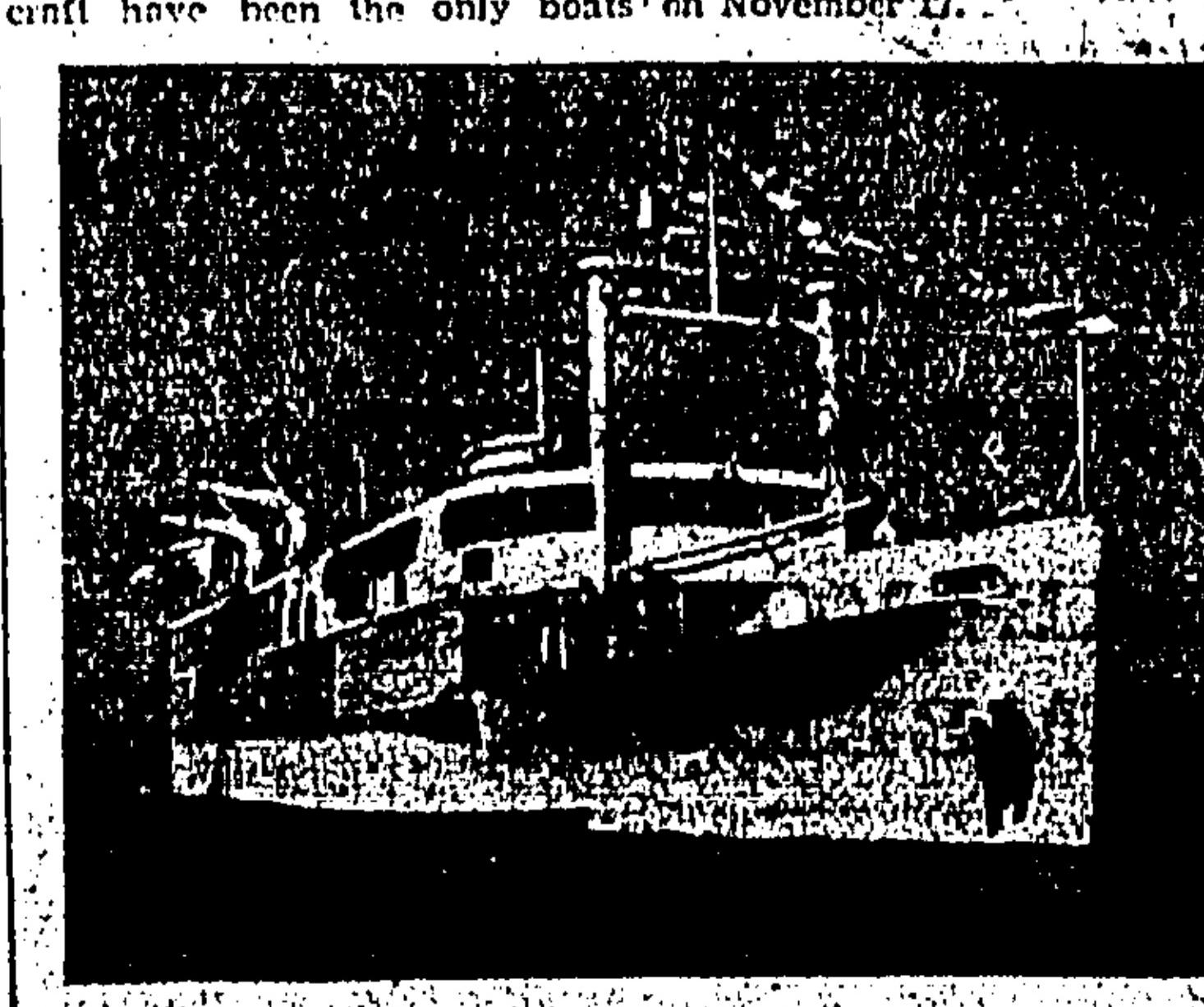
Because of currents up to 14 knots, the small craft are dragged with towlines by steamship tugs.

The largest of the nine vessels is 233 feet in length. To keep the draught of the ships as shallow as eight feet, weights were calculated in ounces during the construction at Quebec.

To enable the craft to sail upstream again, the Yangtze Gorges, electrically-operated towing winches have been installed.

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No Happy Xmas

Sir.—Hotel residents will not be "out of the red" this Xmas as they expected. After three months of deliberation held in camera, the Hotel Rates Advisory Committee finds that owing to hotels not having submitted their accounts as requested, it is not yet able to arrive at a recommendation. So the promised date of review, November 1, becomes yet another postponement and disappointment.

One would have thought that with three months in which to collect and collate its data even a Government appointed committee might have achieved some creditable result—but the net tangible product appears to have been zero... Not even an offered interim report is designed to the long suffering "guests" who had been led to expect so much!

When one considers that the New Hotel Rates as originally promulgated must have been the product of many months of work, with plenty of official data to work things out from, and that there existed at the Committee's disposal an especially constituted panel of experts appointed for the purpose!

It is indeed remarkable that the point upon which the hotel management were most vociferous in their complaint against the Competent Authority—i.e. the fact that they wished their accounts examined—should be the one upon which they have shown themselves reluctant to come forward when asked by the investigating committee, which was after all especially constituted to protect them from possible protest by Hotel In-

This curious withholding of information on the part of the Hotels would indicate that they are more interested in stalling for time than in assisting the Committee in its task.

Continued refusal to present accounts which were called for originally by August 20, may compel Government, to realize that in this particular instance it is quite possible that a grave injustice is being done to the public whom chromatopee has forced to live in these establishments—with the only solution prompt re-application of the New Rate until such time as the Hotels frankly state the case which they originally claimed to have.

PONTIFEX.

Hotel Rates

Sir.—It may interest the many who undoubtedly feel grave concern at the delay in finalization of the question of Hotel Rates that three representatives from the Hong Kong & Kowloon Hotel Residents' Association last week had an hour of interchange of ideas with Mr. Chau's Committee and were given every courtesy and opportunity to state their views. Just previously, representatives from the Hotels had seen the same Committee.

If your correspondents agree with the objects of this Association, their applications for membership would be welcomed. If not, this Association would also welcome an opportunity to meet them with the aim of exchanging views. In either case, I am quite certain that there is nothing to prevent their ideas being placed before Mr. Chau's Committee either in person, or in writing. Further, the Quartering Authority, whose offices are in the Hong Kong Bank Building can, if interviewed, answer nearly all the questions put up by "No Amused". We already know them but it is not our function to publish them.

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HERE IS BRITAIN'S CRIME SHEET

Does crime pay? All law-abiding citizens hope not, but they will certainly have their doubts if they study the Criminal Statistics for last year, published today by the Home Office.

These show that of all the more serious offences reported in the British Isles fewer than half resulted in the arrest of any offender. Burglars and thieves have a three-in-one chance of escaping detection.

The disturbing figures appear in a table listing the number of "indictable" crimes known to the police during the year and those described as "cleared up" during the same period. The grand totals are respectively 400,589 and 203,000.

It can be taken that some were "cleared up" later, but even if one adds 10,250 to cover them, that figure is the number of "solution" earned over from the crimes of 1940—it still appears that 203,329 offenders "got away" with it" last year.

How Thieves Fared

Burglars and thieves were luckier than the average law-breaker. Under the combined headings of burglary, robbery, house-breaking, and shoplifting, "crimes known" are listed at 99,500, and the "cleared" as 26,702. For larceny of all kinds the respective totals are 322,802 and 118,730.

Peculiar were the luckless of all, for 3,235 out of 4,240 escaped untraced. The unluckiest were house-holders and other "residents." Fewer than 200 out of 12,946 such thieves went unpunished.

For crimes of violence against the person the results obtained by the police were certainly much better. Of 14,407 cases of this kind 11,268 were cleared up.

But there remained 11 cases of murder out of 117 known during 1947, in which no arrest was made. And of 5,052 indecent assaults on women arrests were made in only 3,212 cases.

A BISHOP'S PROTEST

London, October 28.—The Anglican Bishop of Chichester, Dr. G. K. W. Bell, sent a letter to the President of Hungary, Lajos Diomay, protesting in the name of the World Council of Churches against the recent last month of the Lutheran Bishop of Budapest, Dr. Lajos Orlai.

Bishop Orlai was sentenced to two years' imprisonment early this month for alleged "dealing" in foreign currency."

In a letter to the Lutheran World Federation, dated September 17, President Diomay stated that the arrest had nothing to do with the Bishop's ecclesiastical activities.—Reuters.



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IT'S THESE POLICE THE REDS HAVE TO WATCH

THERE is an apocryphal story circulating in Berlin and Eastern Germany about the American worker who was paying a visit to a Russian factory.

"Who does this place belong to?" he asked his guide. "It belongs to the workers," he was told. "And who do these ears outside belong to?" "Oh, they belong to the bosses."

The guide paid a return visit to the United States and was shown round a factory there. "And who does this place belong to?" he asked. "Oh, this belongs to the bosses," was the reply. "And all those ears outside?" "Oh, they belong to the workers."

Old Temptation

What are the crimes that bring these youngsters to court? It is the old temptation of getting something for nothing, the result of scantly or lowered morals. Theft, burglary, house-breaking—all offences against property—these reach the peaks among the statistics.

Of 70,154 people found guilty of larceny last year 20 per cent were boys and girls under 17 and 12 per cent adolescents. For "breaking and entering" the respective figures are as great as 52 and 30 per cent.

The combined figures show that more than half of all the crimes against property last year were committed by people not of adult age.

Another black sign of the times is that 250 per cent more people were found guilty of "receiving" compared with pre-war—6,240 convictions in all—the biggest or perhaps increase among all crimes. By its side may be put the total of 18,083 people convicted under Defence Regulations, mainly for Black Market operations.

How are the judges and the magistrates reacting to this crime wave? Parliament is favouring leniency, the leniency of prison conditions, modifying capital punishment, abolishing the "cat." But among the judiciary there are other views as to the value of punishment.

Less Probation

The great change among them all stands out in page after page of this report—is the degree of use of "probation" methods for offenders and the far greater imposition of prison sentences, especially in the case of adolescent criminals, though the trend is common to all cases.

For every two youths put by the Judges under the care of probation officers in 1938 only one was so treated last year.

Do this indicate a general distrust, a wider breakdown in the probationary system? From those responsible for it I have been able to obtain only one suggestion—that magistrates and judge, may be disinclined to put on probation lads who are shortly due for military service.

Such is the haste of the Russians to bring matters under control in their zones, stamp out the wave of opposition and counter-propaganda, and oust all "unreliable" elements from the administration, that a large proportion of the P.O.W.s who arrive back at the dispersal camp at Eberswalde, to have police

disorganisation in the police ranks, due to the defection of good policemen who refused to play Communist, the incapacity of Communist appointees to hold administrative posts, and the wholesale purges which are affecting every walk of life in the Eastern zone, has reached such a point that an urgent call for reinforcements has gone out.

Forced Recruits

With police strength something under 20,000 for the population of more than 17,000,000, the force is to be regrouped and strengthened as "Kaserne Poliz" literally Police Garrisons—thus eliminating "dangerous" contact with the population at the lower levels, and the numbers are to be made up by forced recruitment of prisoners-of-war held in Russia.

But that does not explain the decrease in application of the system to older men and to women of all ages. Here is a matter deserving consideration by all concerned with the prevalence of crime revealed in these statistics.

From a social point of view by far the most serious factor emerging is the big increase of crime generally, and more particularly among the adolescent section of the population—boys and girls between the age of 17 and 21.

The number of criminals of all ages in the country is nearly 50 per cent higher than before the war, the figure for those found guilty of indictable offence having risen from 78,493 in 1938 to 15,672 last year. This total fails to account of those responsible for the unsolved crimes.

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MALAY POLICE AMBUSHED

Singapore, October 29. The insurgents in Malaya have killed seven policemen and six civilians and wounded other policemen in the past 24 hours, their own casualties being three dead one wounded.

Behind yesterday's ambush in Central Perak when seven non-European policemen were killed and five wounded has the tale of police courage and determination not to surrender to a great force of bandits.

An Indian woman special constable was also wounded. Having received seven bullet wounds she is now in a critical condition.

The police squad was ambushed outside Taiping, 200 miles North of Kuala Lumpur.

The first bullet of the bandits' fire hit the feeder pipe of the patrol tank of the squad's car, crippling it.

A Malay police inspector, who dashed out for cover dashed back into the van when the ammunition was finished and tried to stop the vehicle rolling downhill but was shot dead. The constable who took his place was also killed. After the battle the insurgents took away seven guns.

Troops of the Malay Regiment were today sweeping the area. In the past 36 hours beatings and skirmishes attacked the recently discovered bandit camp at South Pahang, bombing and "relocating" huts in cleared areas of the thick jungle. —Reuter.

TRAIN SMASH KILLS FORTY

Ankara, October 29. Official reports today said 40 persons were killed and more than 100 injured when a special train en route to Ankara for the Independence Day ceremonies jumped its tracks near Irmak.

There were about 2,000 persons on the train. Thirty-two were killed outright and eight died on the way to the hospital.

Latest reports said some persons were still pinned under the wreckage. Ankara physicians, who were celebrating the holiday, were recalled for emergency duty. —United Press.

U Kyaw Nyien, the Burmese Foreign Minister, today accused the Communists of attempting to disrupt the Constitution and seize power by force of arms.

"The present struggle in Burma is nothing but an attempt by a minority to destroy the Constitution and wrest power by undemocratic means, and the Government are firmly determined to put down all such attempts and uphold the will of the people as embodied in the Constitution," the Foreign Minister said.

U Kyaw Nyien, who is on a private visit to London from the United Nations General Assembly in Paris, said in reply to a question that although there was no evidence of "outside financial assistance" being given to the disruptive elements, "I think there is evidence in the way of outside advice."

He said Burma did not need to make any special request to Britain for arms to combat the guerrillas because, under the treaty, there was the British military mission. "We are getting help and technical advice, and we are purchasing arms and ammunition," he said. "We will definitely not ask for troops. We are quite confident that we can look after our own internal affairs."

Asked if Burma was satisfied with the amount of arms she was getting, the Foreign Minister replied: "I don't think I can complain."

U Nyien, in the course of a prepared statement, said: "Every section of the people—Shan, Karen, Chin, Karenni, Kachin and Gurman heartily endorsed the Constitution."

Election Due

"The present Government is pledged to hold an election (no date has yet been fixed) and they are determined that this election will be free and fair."

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Telegrams For The Forces

London, October 29. The Post Office announced today that the wartime Forces' social telegram service will be discontinued after December 31, 1948.

For messages between members of the Forces and next of kin relating to essential business of an urgent and private nature, a concession telegram service at an inland rate will continue to be available.—Reuter.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 0.62 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band. H.K.T.

10.30 a.m.—Programme Summary.

10.31 a.m.—Melodies from British Films. (BBC TS)

11.00 a.m.—Relay of the Service from St. John's Cathedral, Preacher: The Rev. George She, M.A.

11.45 a.m.—Announcements and the Paramount Theatre Orchestra.

12.00 p.m.—Travel Talk in A Minor... Instrumental Trios.

12.45 p.m.—Sports Results and Daily Programme Summary.

12.48 p.m.—London Studio Melodies. (BBC TS)

1.15 p.m.—News Weather Report and Announcements.

1.20 p.m.—Orchestral Interludes.

1.30 p.m.—A Popular Concert.

2.45 p.m.—Close Down.

2.49 p.m.—Programme Summary.

3.55 p.m.—Weekly News-Letter. (London Relay)

4.15 p.m.—"Down Homey Way."

4.30 p.m.—"Grand Hotel" Alliter. Bands.

4.45 p.m.—A Film Concert with Newell (Baritone). (BBC TS)

5.00 p.m.—World and Home News. (London Relay)

5.15 p.m.—"Looking Ahead" A Review of the Week's Programmes. (Studio)

7.30 p.m.—Niel Gwynn Prodigies... Introduced by Noel Coward.

8.00 p.m.—From the Editorials. (London Relay)

8.10 p.m.—Interlude.

8.15 p.m.—"ITMA" with Tommy Hand lev. (London Relay)

8.45 p.m.—University Programme. Art. No. 2. "Approach to Philosophy" by Professor A.J. Ayer. (BBC TS)

9.05 p.m.—Symphony Concert.

10.00 p.m.—Radio News Read. (London Relay)

10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.

10.18 p.m.—Symphony Concert. (Cont'd)

10.45 p.m.—Enigma Conducted by Dr. Rev. J.E. Sandbach. (Studio)

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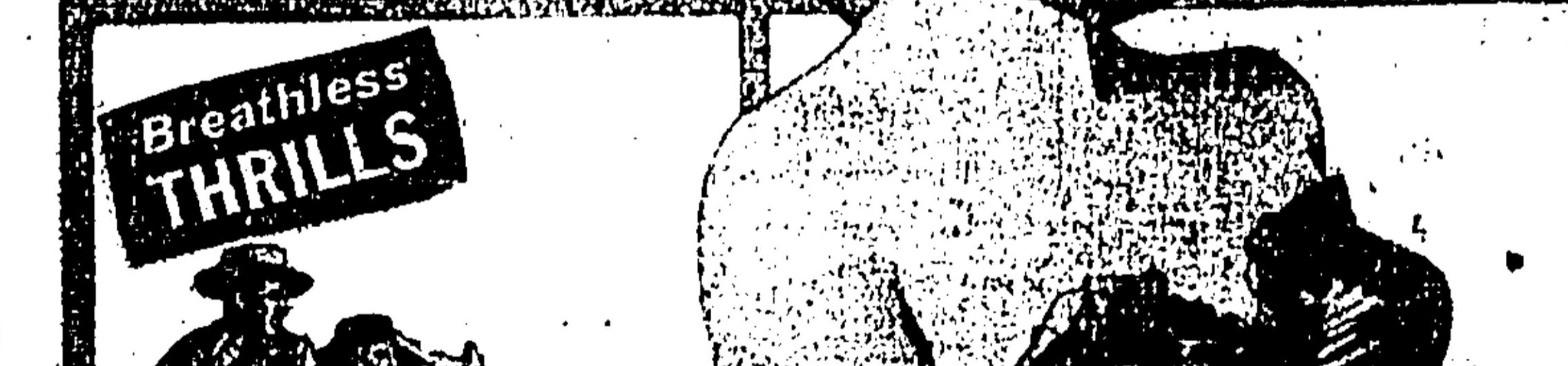
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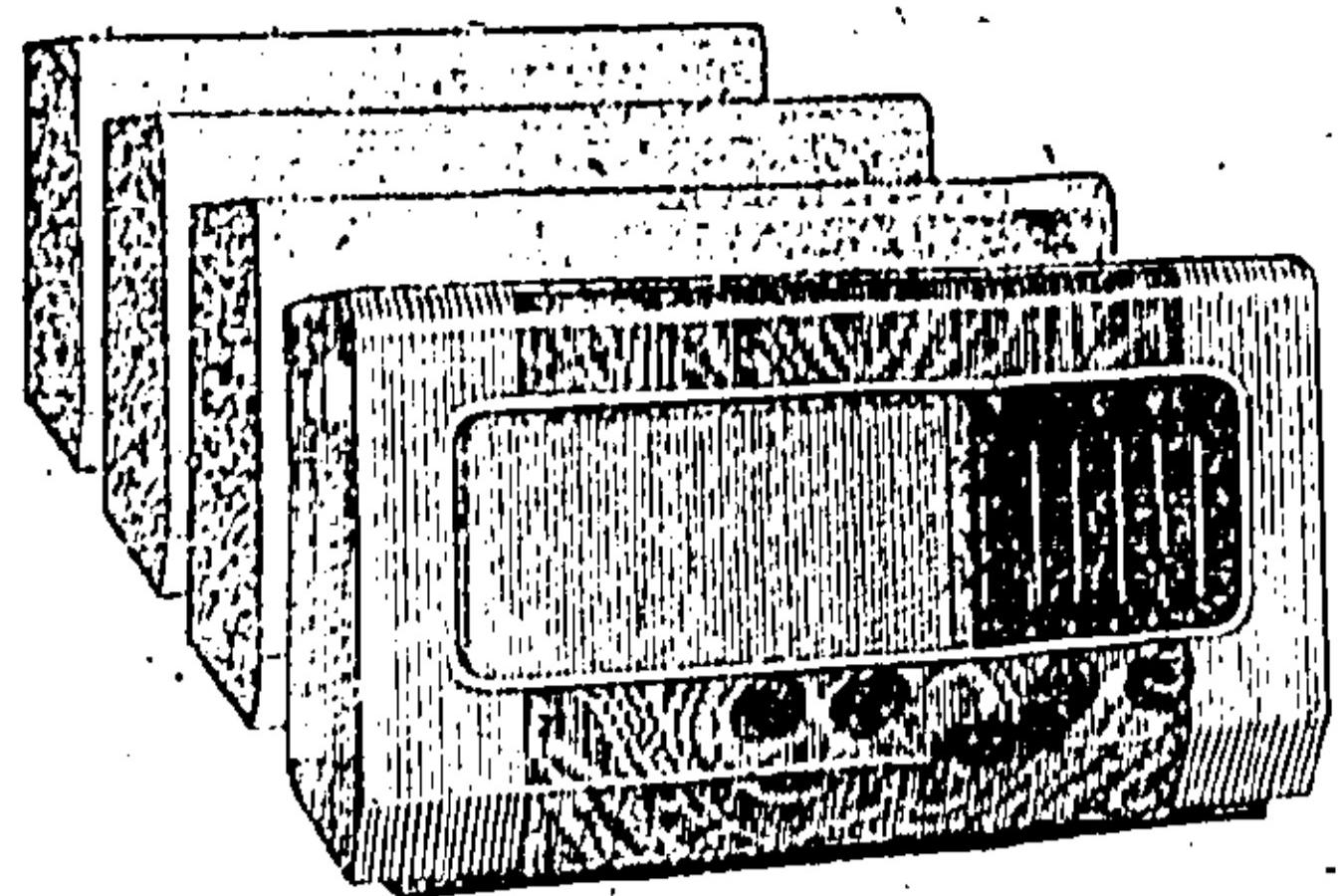
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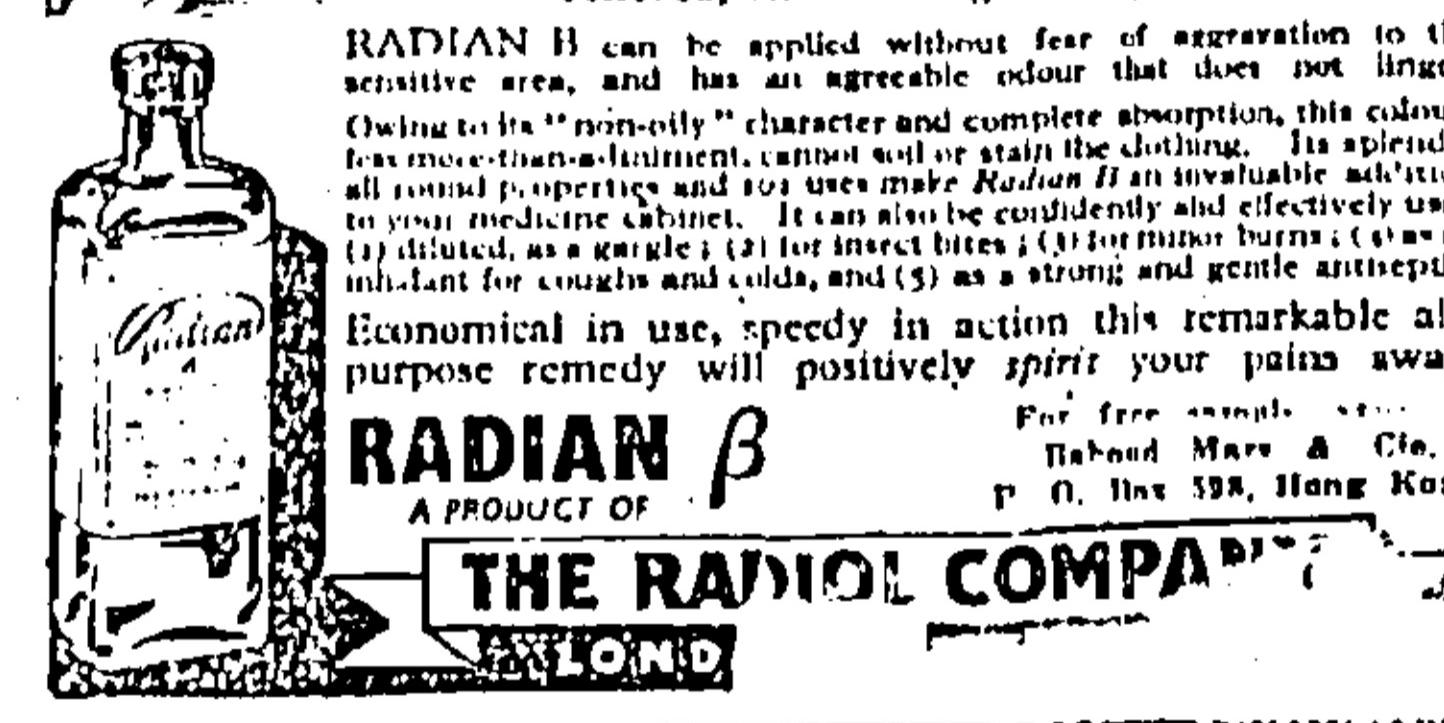
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US ARMY RESHUFFLE IN HIGH POSITIONS

Washington, October 29. A top level re-organisation of the Army to place that service on a "peace or war" footing was announced last night by US Army Secretary Kenneth Royall.

Mr. Royall said the re-organisation is designed to obviate the necessity for a sudden change in event of emergency. It becomes effective on November 15.

In the shifting around of responsibilities and assignments, a new office of "Vice Chief of Staff" was created. General J. Lawton Collins, veteran tactician of World War II, was appointed to the job. General Collins' present post is Deputy Chief of Staff under General Omar Bradley.

Mr. Royall said General Collins would be an "after ergo" (other self) for General Bradley and would take over when General Bradley is away for field inspections at home and overseas. The Vice Chief also will be the contact man for the Army, to fit its plans in with those of the other armed forces, the Air Force and Navy.

The new organization lies between the Army's organisation in World War II and the setup which has been in effect since mid-1946. The pre-1940 establishment placed the Army "entirely on a war footing" while the postwar organisation has resembled greatly the peacetime organisation in effect prior to March of 1942."

Technical Group

Among administrative changes is the grouping of seven technical services, such as the Chemical, Signal and Medical Corps, under the Director of Logistics instead of under different commands.

A new position of Deputy for Administration will be filled by Lieutenant General Wade H. Haupin, present Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff.

Lieutenant General Albert C. Wedemeyer, present General staff Director of Plans and Operations (the man directly responsible for the preparation and constant revision of war-plans) will continue in the last quarter toward the final termination of the Chinese and Philippine bulk sales.

The report said that negotiations are still in process with the Chinese Government for the purpose of settling a termination date for the Chinese bulk sale.

The report said, "As has been indicated in previous reports, the Chinese transaction presents unusual difficulties because of the wide dispersion of property."

It said that up to August 31, the Chinese assumed title to \$303,476 worth of a total of \$401,220 worth made available.

In addition the Chinese took over \$64,000,000 worth of fixed installations some time ago.

The report said that although considerable property remains to be turned over in the Philippines, it has been possible to finalize accounts relating to the \$100,000 rehabilitation act portion of the sale.

It said the original value of the total disposals up to September 30 amounted to \$3,576,042,000 or 7.9 per cent of the total surplus declarations which were sold for \$546,440,000 or 10.2 per cent of the original cost. It said there still remains \$247,553,000 worth of property sold but not yet delivered and \$77,457,000 worth of property to be disposed of in the future.—Reuter.

Washington, October 30. William C. Bullitt, former US Ambassador to Moscow and Paris, was appointed yesterday a consultant to the Congressional Committee keeping watch on operations of the Economic Co-operation Administration.

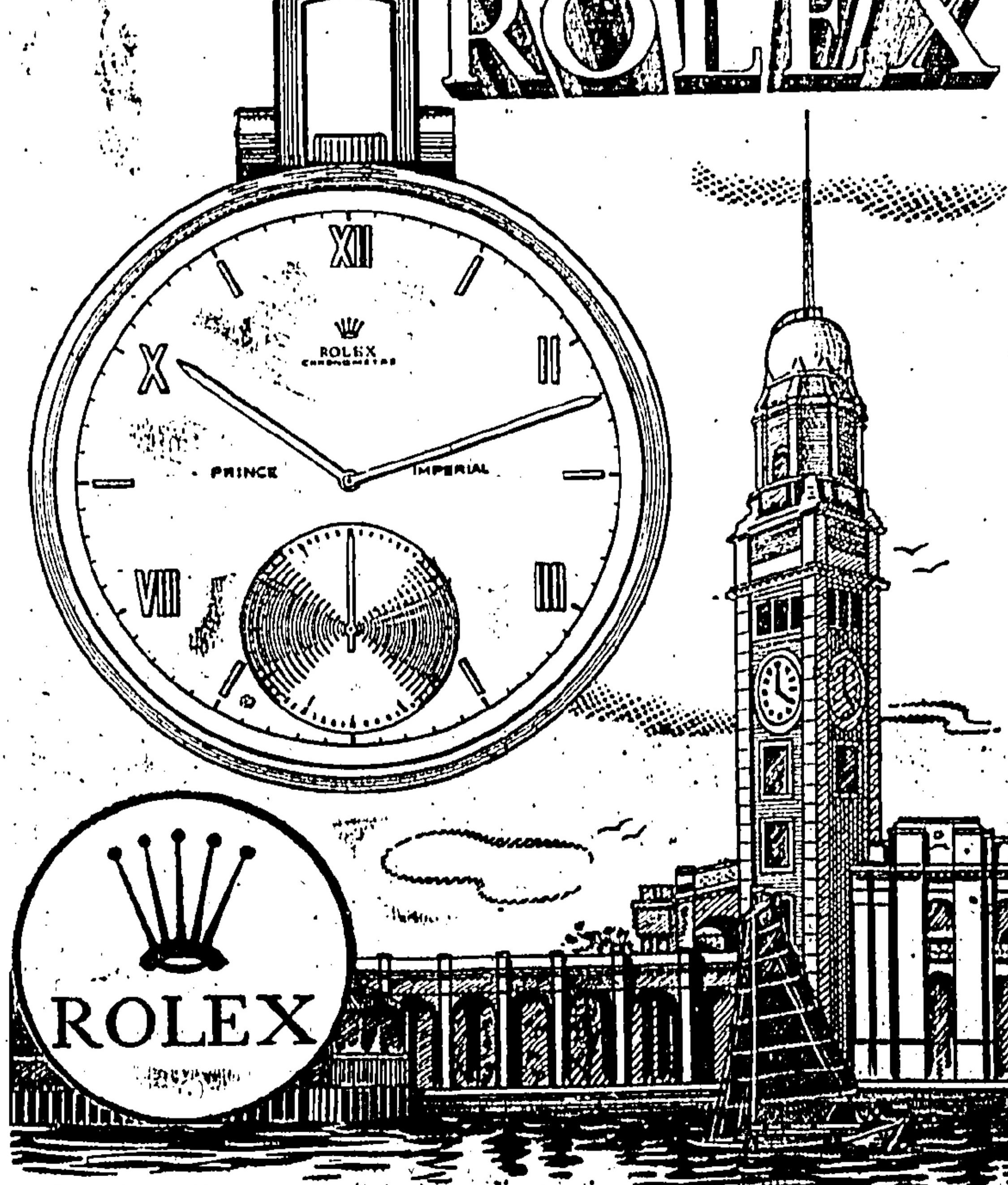
Senator Styles Bridges, chairman of the Watchdog Committee, said Mr. Bullitt would leave for China on November 9, to study the situation there.—Associated Press.

Washington, October 30. Major Robin Blair, late of the 1st Battalion of the 7th Gurkha Rifles, received the Military Cross at the hands of the British Consul-General, Mr. M.C. Gillett, in the British Consulate yesterday.

The award was made for Major (then Captain) Blair's distinguished services in Burma during the last war. Major Blair, who returned here last year after demobilisation in England, is an old resident of Shanghai and lived here for 11 years before the war.—Reuter.

Another time 1,200 insurgents were reported to have marched through a hamlet just over the Malayan border. Questioners on the spot found nothing like that number of people had been seen at one time in the village's history.

One Montreal source said the deal will provide work for United Kingdom mills and enable Australian newspapers to pay for newspaper in Sterling instead of dollars.—Associated Press.



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Iraqi PM May Resign

Baghdad, October 29. The Iraqi Prime Minister, Muazim Amin Pachachi, today gave what observers regarded as a hint that he may resign, stating: "I have requested a secret Parliamentary session on Monday to outline the facts and figures of the country's political and financial situation and the truth about the Palestine position."

"Most probably the speech may be my last official speech in Parliament." It is understood from a usually reliable source that the Prime Minister will demand a vote of confidence at the end of the session.—Reuter.

BBC Man's Silence On Experiences

Athens, October 28. Kenneth Matthews, the British Broadcasting Corporation's correspondent who was detained recently by Greek guerrillas, arrived in Athens today from Loutraki in a British Embassy car.

Disposal Of War Surplus Nears End

Washington, October 29.

A State Department report on the liquidation of war surplus property abroad said today that considerable progress has been made during the last quarter toward the final termination of the Chinese and Philippine bulk sales.

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Up to the time of his departure for Athens, Matthews had made no statement on his capture and of his subsequent tour of guerrilla-controlled territory.—Reuter.

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In a few weeks thousands of 25-year-old Americans will be exchanging their bright civilian neckwear for the pale khaki tie that goes with an Army uniform. They will be the United States' first post-war conscripts—"draftees" they are called here; they will serve 21 months.

For many weeks past the registration of all men between 18 and 25 has gone ahead; 8,500,000 are now listed for service if called upon.

This drafting of sons, husbands, and boy friends is the aspect of American rearmament which "goes home" most to the majority of citizens. But it is only one piece in the vast pattern of the rebuilding of America's armed strength which is now in progress.

The United States is this year—July 1948 to July 1949—spending 15,000,000,000 dollars (£31,750,000,000) on defence. This sum represents nearly 40 per cent of the total Federal budget. The country has never seen anything like it in peace-time before.

Yet this does not mean that the United States is being put on a war footing. As the Secretary of Defense, Mr. James Forrestal, has pointed out: "A democracy is never ready [for war] in the sense of having its maximum potential ready to take off for the field of battle. You cannot do it and run a democratic economy at the same time."

Real Purpose

The purpose of the present great effort of the United States is—

First: To discourage attack. Second: To deliver, hard and quick, the immediate retaliatory blows if an attack should nevertheless be made.

Besides the Army, there are two divisions of the Fleet Marine Forces, which are separate from the Marines, who form part of warships' complements. These Fleet Marine Forces divisions are crack units, holding a position like that of the Guards in Britain; they have been brought up to full strength by the recent recruiting boom. They form an Expeditionary Force—in being, able to march as shock troops at the shortest notice. Their value for dealing quick, surprise blows is of the highest.

Big Surprise

During August alone 45,000 men enlisted in the Army, 12,000 in the Air Force, 4,713 in the Marines, and 11,029 in the Navy.

This has raised the strength of the Army to some 600,000 before the draft starts to operate. With the aid of this draft it will be brought up to 700,000 by next July (not counting the 18-year-olds).

In this fiscal year the Air Force is receiving 1,400 aircraft of the most modern types. Orders have also been placed for 2,201 planes, and production has started on many of them, although some will not be delivered until 1951. Purchase of another 213 (mostly jet bombers and fighters) has been approved by Mr. Forrestal, and is now awaiting President Truman's O.K.

Meanwhile the Air Force has had the surprise of its life. Congress this year actually gave it more money than it had asked for to buy new planes. Subject to the approval of orders by President Truman and Mr. Forrestal, it allocated £1,844,000,000 dollars (£300,000,000) for the purchase of 2,727 new aircraft. This is the most ambitious buying programme ever voted in any peace-time year.

Also 302,000,000 dollars (£95,000,000) was put up for "tooling" for additional production to provide planes for 70 groups, and to build up the industrial base necessary for rapid expansion to higher levels in emergency.

Twelve months ago the Air Force had 29 active combat groups. Today it has 55.

Eleven new air groups (a group varies from 18 planes in heavy bombers to 75 in fighters) are being organised this fiscal year, to increase the total to 60 by next July. The following year two more close support attack groups and two troop-carrying groups will be created.

Today the Navy, with 277 combat ships and 483 minor and auxiliary vessels on active duty plus 1,882 ships in "mothballs" has a 16-month building programme placing strong emphasis on anti-submarine warfare.

Thirty-three other warships are being converted and modernised, while eight destroyers and an aircraft carrier now in the reserve fleet are to be re-commissioned after January 1, 1949.

Quite apart from Air Force activity, 3,000 naval planes are being taken out of storage and 1,105 (including 576 jet fighters) built to bring the U.S. Navy's air strength up to 14,500 planes by July 1 next year.

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He will tell you that Western Union will only mean something when the United States clothes it with flesh in the shape of tanks, bombers, rifles, equipment—plus a solid guarantee of immediate and all out assistance.

ITALY

Robert Shearer, from Rome, writes: Carlo Sforza, the Italian Foreign Minister, is a staunch advocate of Western Union in ways that will leave the door open for a pan-European Union some time in the future.

The Italian Government might be persuaded to join a military defence pact for Western Europe embracing all the 10 countries benefiting by the Marshall Plan, but adherence to the British pact arouses little enthusiasm.

Meanwhile Count Sforza is working for the closer union of Italy and France and the creation of a Latin bloc 100 per cent strong to offset a resurgent Germany.

The Italian view generally is that European unity will grow naturally out of regional economic agreements, given time, patience, and the absence of a new upheaval.

BELGIUM

Gavin Gordon, from Brussels, writes: "Western Union is practical and necessary in the Belgian view. Mr. Bevin has made direct progress impossible for the moment, they say, 'but you can always play off the cushion.'

They feel that too many forces are working towards some form of unity, if not actual union, for opposition to be effected. In proof they point to the five-power pact, the Marshall Plan organisation, the Benelux Union, and the other plans underway for a European union.

Military union is already a fact for Britain, France, and the Benelux powers. The War minister, Destratir, has stressed that this is a long term programme which will not have its full effect at once.

Premier Spont has called for large scale industrial planning which needs a European basis and most Belgians think of Union in economic terms.

Political union is not so clearly envisaged, but there are many who hope for a European consultative assembly to hold a balance between theoretical plans and the practical problems of Europe.

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And all the while the Atomic Energy Commission is hard at work. This year it is receiving 600,000,000 dollars (£150,000,000) and a high percentage of its total effort goes to the production of fissionable material and weapons and to basic and applied research.

—A. W. Parsons.

RN OFFICER AS WESTERN UNION CHIEF OF STAFF

London, October 29.

The Western Europe alliance took another step in shaping the defence mechanism yesterday when the Admiralty announced that Captain Roger Mylius Dick R.N., will be Chief of Staff to France's Admiral Robert Jaufret, Flag Officer commanding the Brussels' powers' sea forces.

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WESTERN UNION THE ARGUMENT

From Correspondents In Europe And The British Commonwealth

Following is a round up on what typical European countries—France, Italy, Belgium and Denmark—and the Dominions think about Western Union.

However, it is not fear of America's aims that is keeping Denmark from joining Western Union, but fear of Russia. Denmark's official policy is friendship, with both East and West.

She wants economic and military co-operation with Norway and Sweden, and she would probably be prepared to risk Russia's wrath if she could join Western Union alongside them.

But Sweden will not abandon her neutrality, and so Denmark will remain outside Western Union because she fears Russia and cannot afford to break with Sweden.

CANADA

Patrick Nicholson, from Ottawa, writes: Canada regards Western Union as a stepping stone to a North Atlantic pact.

Thirteen months ago, Mr. St. Laurent, speaking before the United Nations general assembly, made the first public suggestion that the freedom-loving nations should form regional security pacts under the United Nations.

Ever since then Canada has been crusading for pacts which would entail the acceptance of more specific international obligations in return for greater national security.

Canada foresees no insurmountable difficulties in formulating comprehensive Western Union and other pacts. She would welcome their speedy realisation because they would warn possible aggressors that countries cannot be pleased individually.

In the field of trade Canada hopes that the Western Union countries will not make themselves self-sufficient behind high trade barriers.

She does not believe that Britain's participation prejudices Commonwealth relations any more than does her own close military alliance with the United States.

AUSTRALIA

Arthur Morley, from Brisbane, writes: Russia can be thanked for uniting Australia in solid support of Western Union. The earlier opposition from a large section of opinion, based on the fear that Britain's commitments would mean weakening its ties with the Dominions, has now disappeared.

It is generally accepted by all parties in Canberra that the military unity of the Western Powers is absolutely essential even if it means minor changes in the direction of Britain's trade.

A well informed political spokesman told me: "We had feared being dragged into a war beside Britain in defence of some West European commitment not directly affecting Australia's welfare."

"Now we realise that we must all work and fight together to have a chance of survival."

NEW ZEALAND

J. C. Graham, from Auckland, writes: New Zealand favours Western Union underwritten by the United States. In return for this guarantee of her own security, the Dominion will have to be ready for considerable contributions to systems of regional defence, involving first Western Europe, then the Atlantic, and the Pacific. Prime Minister Fraser said recently that the conception of a United States of Europe will not be realised for many years to come. It would be welcomed by the British people but could not be a substitution for the firm relationship that existed in the Commonwealth today.

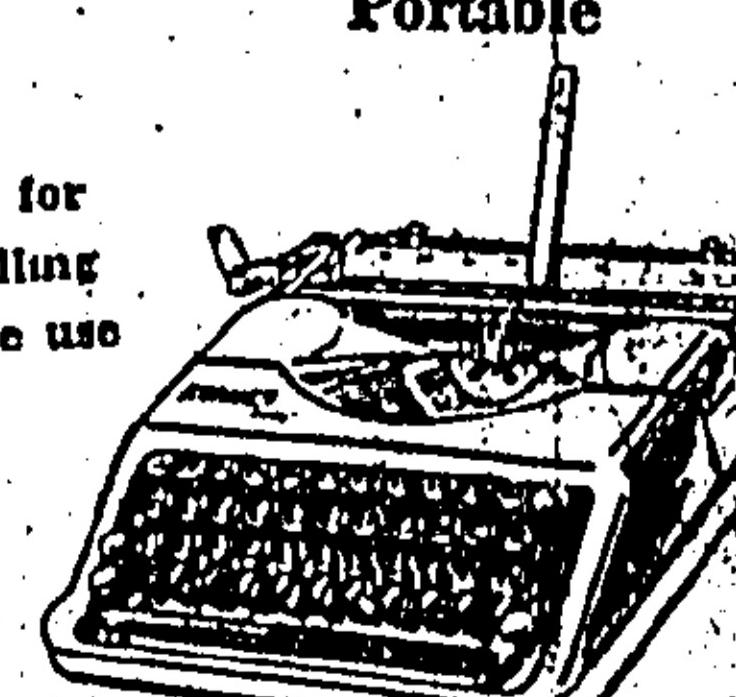
"As far as New Zealand is concerned," he added, "our frontiers now as before are the frontiers of the British Commonwealth, which are the frontiers of democracy."

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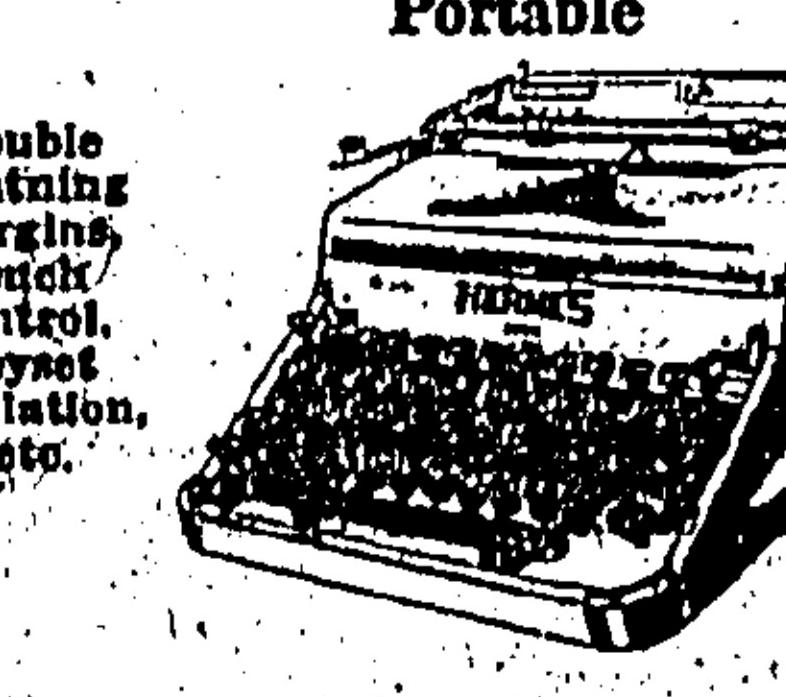
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Norwegians Examine The Record

Oslo, October 29.
After eight days of debate the Norwegian Lower House has unanimously adopted the first five sections of the report of the official Investigating Commission which examined the activities of the Norwegian authorities before, during and after the German invasion.

The debate on the first section which concerned actions on foreign and defence policies by the government of Mr. Johan Nygardsvold before the war up to June 7, 1940, when the King and Government left the country, ended on Saturday with the decision not to consider impeachment.

The House unanimously agreed on a compromise resolution that "the report required no further action on the part of the House."

Criticisms raised during the debate dwelt on alleged faults of judgment, but the intentions and patriotism of those concerned were not questioned.

With the Lower House's acceptance of the main part of the Investigating Commission's report, observers here now regard the matter as closed.—Reuter.

The Hague, October 29.
The First Chamber of the States General passed tonight an emergency bill enabling the Dutch Government to proceed with the immediate establishment of an Interim Government in Indonesia. The voting was 38 for, 12 against.

The bill is designed to leave the door open for the Indonesian Republic, should it wish to join the Federal Interim Government. The Second Chamber of the Dutch Parliament approved the measure on Tuesday.

A warning that the Dutch Government must reckon with the possibility of the Indonesian situation taking an unexpected turn from one day to another was contained in an explanatory note attached to the bill.

In Java itself, the Communists, whose uprising was reported "all but over" a week ago, have seized three more towns in the centre of the country. Dutch sources in Batavia said to us quoting an Indonesian military communiqué:

Estates Closed

The insurgents thrust Northwards from Mount Lawu, near the former stronghold of Mataram, and occupied Kismantoro, Bulukerto and Purwakarta. Republican troops have been ordered to occupy the area west of Lawu to cut off any further Communist attempts to break through to the North and West.

Aneta, the Dutch East Indies news agency, reported from West Java that the Gunung Buluud Tead Rubber Estates

had been closed because continual unrest and almost daily terrorist attacks made production impossible.

The Dutch estate manager said other estate managers in the Sukabumi district were considering walking off the properties if there was no immediate improvement in the situation.

Final Result

Political negotiations between the Dutch and the Republicans will probably be resumed early next month, Dr. Mohammed Roem, leader of the Republican delegation, said today. Whatever the result, "it will be dual," he added.

Mr. Merle H. Cochran, the American member of the Security Council Good Offices Committee in Indonesia, is expected to discuss the United Nations' sponsored truce with the Republican Government tomorrow in Jakarta, the Republican capital, according to a usually reliable source in Batavia today.

Mr. Cochran has been conferring with the Dutch, who say the truce is deteriorating in Java and Sumatra. Some observers believed the Dutch might have received new instructions from their Government after last Wednesday's Cabinet meeting, understood to have considered the Republican reply to Mr. Cochran's proposal for resuming the negotiations.

The Dutch Foreign Minister, Mr. D. U. Stikker, is expected to see the Republican Premier, Dr. Mohammed Hatta, in Batavia next week.—Reuter.

The Census Bureau made no attempt to predict the vote total, but the data worked out to this:

The vote will be 45,380,000 if balloting is cast at the 1944 (Roosevelt-Dewey) rate, or 46,525,000 if at the heavier 1940 (Roosevelt-Wilkie) rate.

Many election analysts have forecast a light vote in this year's Presidential election—possibly less than in 1940 despite a big growth in the population since then.

The Census Bureau said 56.4 per cent of the voting-age civilian population cast ballots in the 1944 race, marking the total vote that year 47,976,203. The comparative percentage for 1940 was 59.5. The total was 40,620,312 votes.

The 95,000,000 estimate for the voting age population on November 2 allowed for a population increase of about 250,000 a month over the Bureau's last previous estimate on July 1.

The figure included all civilians and military service personnel—including those overseas—over 21 years of age. For Georgia, it takes in 18-year-olds as that state is the only one permitting voting at 18.

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Plenty Of Voters For US Elections

Washington, October 30.
The United States will have about 95,000,000 men and women of voting age by election day, November 2, the Census Bureau estimated.

Many of them will be ineligible to vote for various reasons and many who will be eligible won't actually vote.

"Pity And Sympathy" For Churchill

Bombay, October 30.
Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India's acting Prime Minister, said in Bombay last night that "one has nothing but pity and sympathy" for Mr. Winston Churchill, Britain's Conservative Party leader who told the House of Commons on Thursday night that 30,000 British soldiers could rule India in peace.

Speaking at a reception by the Journalists' Union, Patel, in Bombay for conference on the future of Hyderabad State, asserted that not even 300,000 British soldiers could rule India or the East.

Patel said that Churchill "must not attempt to destroy the work by greater men" and asked, "does he not realize that the world today has greatly changed, that the world today is different. It is a pity to see the man who won the war lowering his prestige and position he held during the days of war."

Patel added that "Churchill made it possible for Democracy to survive and yet he now wants to see the same Democracy destroyed in the whole world."—Associated Press.

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Recruitment Of US Career Spies

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The Government soon may recruit highly paid professional men as "career spies" to help build an efficient American espionage organization.

Frank Gervasi, Washington editor of Colliers, reported this in the magazine's current issue.

Gervasi said that formation of a super-spy corps probably will be recommended next month by the so-called Dulles Committee of Three which was appointed to study the espionage problem.

He added that the committee is expected to propose the opening up of careers in espionage for the best American political scientists, historians, economists and transportation and communications engineers. They would be paid salaries comparable to those they could earn in private jobs.

Gervasi said the Committee Chairman, Allen Dulles, who is a brother of John Foster Dulles, revealed "rare ability in espionage" during his World War II operation.

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The storm of public protest accusing the Government of profligate extravagance in the construction of 26 flats for civil servants at Leighton Hill has brought a reply from the Government quoting two figures. The first declares the over-all cost at \$3,800,000, or an average of \$140,000 per flat; the second asserts that the cost works out at a little more than \$2 a cubic foot, a figure which could be brought still lower by further development of the site. If it is hoped, or expected, that figures such as these will still the clamour, we imagine the Government is destined to receive a shock. If there is not a demand for further details—a request that the Government reconcile two figures which, on their face in the absence of any hint as to how they were arrived at, are mutually contradictory—the surprise will be ours. The figures certainly will not help the Government much in an attempt to dispose of the accusation of over-lavish expenditure. Far more likely is a charge of playing with figures in such a way as to mislead. Architects, particularly, will be most interested to learn how the Government's experts reached the assessment of \$2 per cubic foot, which is less than two-thirds of the ruling commercial rate for comparable-type structures. A substantial part of the total cost of Leighton Hill mansions was taken up in the building of a huge retaining wall, a 30-foot approach road, and site preparation, generally. The most expensive form of construction was employed. Leighton Hill apartments are, for instance, built throughout their entire six-storeys with exterior walls of nine-inch reinforced concrete, (converting them into a veritable fortress) the interior design is extremely wasteful of space, and the appointments are of the highest quality. When Government throws the protests back into the teeth of the public with a claim that this type of construction was completed at an average cost of a little more than \$2 a cubic foot, architects and land investment companies will almost certainly want to know how the miracle was achieved. For it must be regarded as little short of a miracle. Private companies are paying more than \$3 a cubic foot. If this government can carry through a large project of this nature at a standard rate cheaper than is possible in the open market, the secret should be shared. It is neither fair nor reasonable that the Government should get away with things so cheaply when the rest of the community is still paying through the nose.

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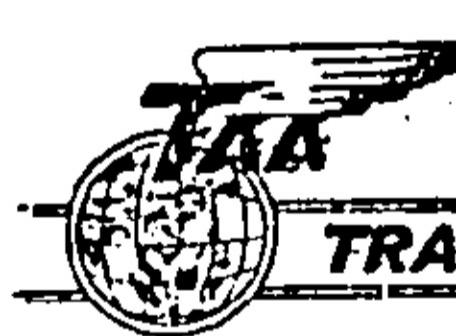
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My first, my last, my constant question on this journey was—"Will there be a war?"

From all of Communism's satellite countries the answer was a shocked "No."

I saw for myself that none of these countries was in any condition to fight a war. A political leader in a country that was hammered by the last one asked me: "Could Britain afford a third glorious victory?" His meaning was: "How much less can we afford another thrashing!"

But war might come by accident. That may be the only way it could come, since people who should know have convinced me that the Russians don't intend to start hostilities. Why should they, when they can get most of what they want just on the strength of an idea?

Their bullying is part of their defence mechanism. The reason they don't want anybody to go into Russia is because they don't want people to see what foul shape they're in.

It's reasonable to ask: If the Russians don't want a war, why do they behave so abominably? The answer, I imagine, is:

1. They don't know any better.

2. They are more or less blushing, convinced that we won't start a war yet.

They are, therefore, prepared to act tough, to make trouble, ferment unrest. They are gambling that we won't take upon us the formidable onus of up-and-socking 'em.

I met Tito and talked with him. I regard him as the most hopeful sign in Europe. It was an awful blow to the Kremlin when he got away with his defection.

The Lost Bastion

How could the Russians start a war now that his "treachery" has exposed their left flank between Tito and Stalin are ill. This is a real break.

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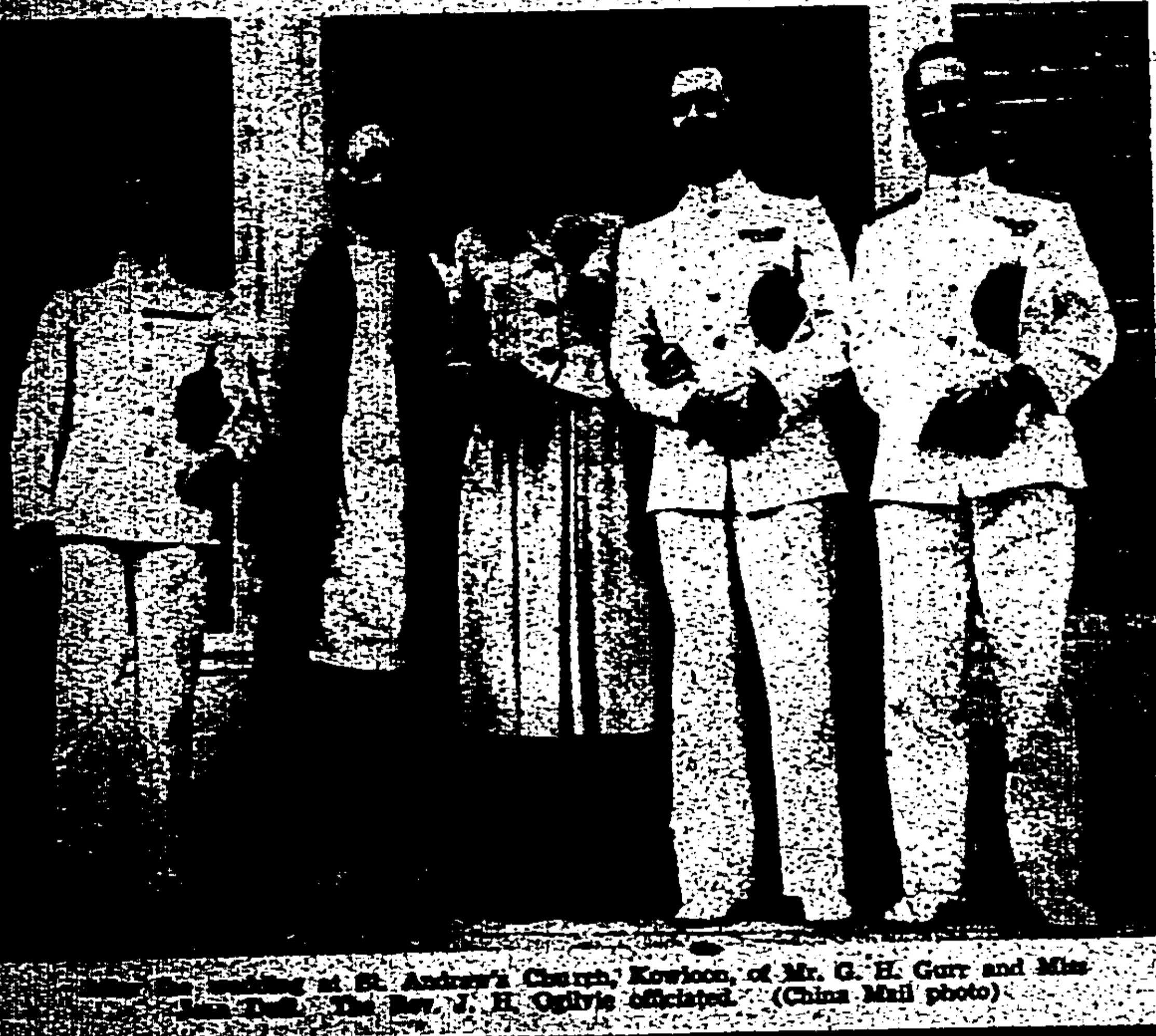
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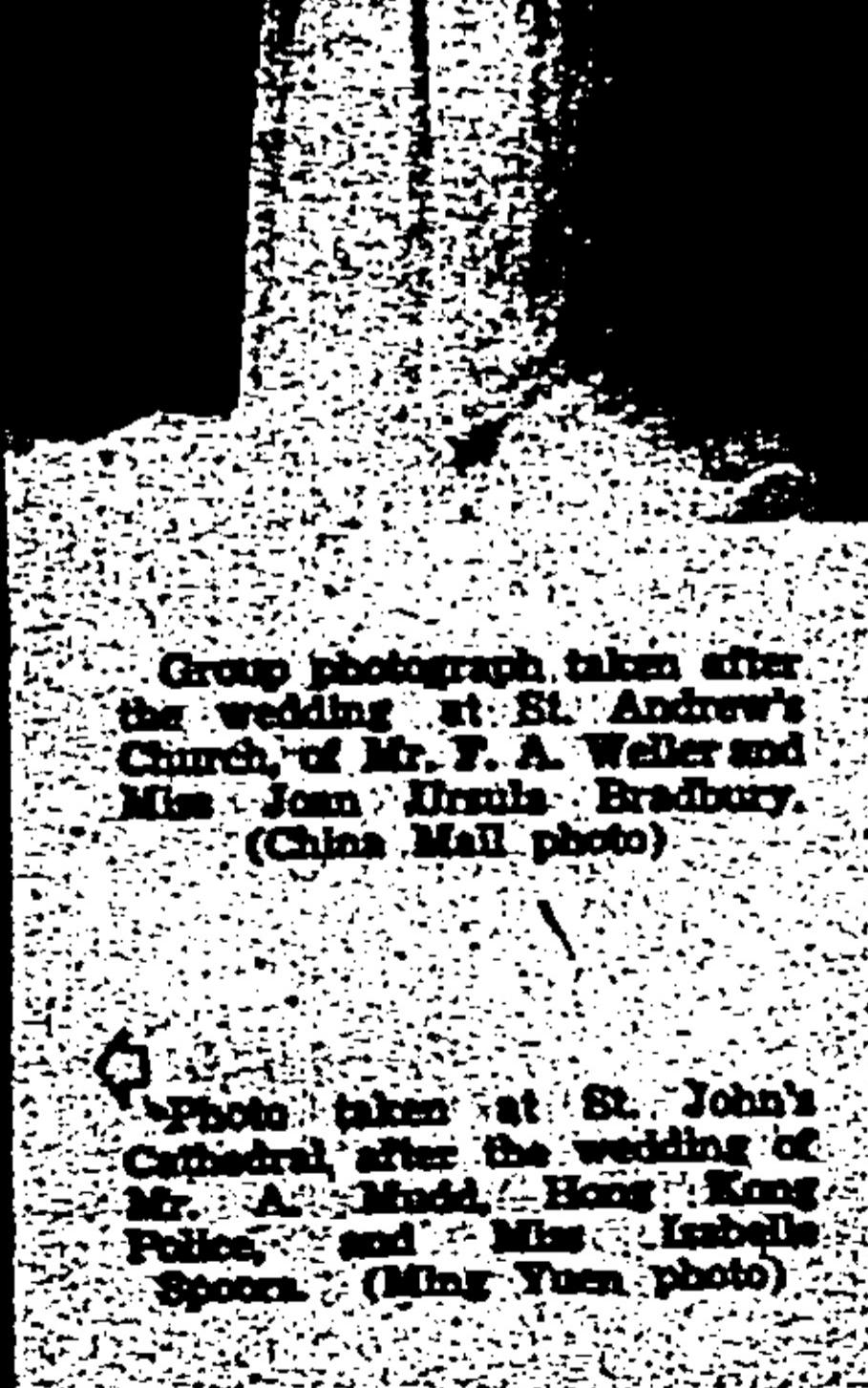
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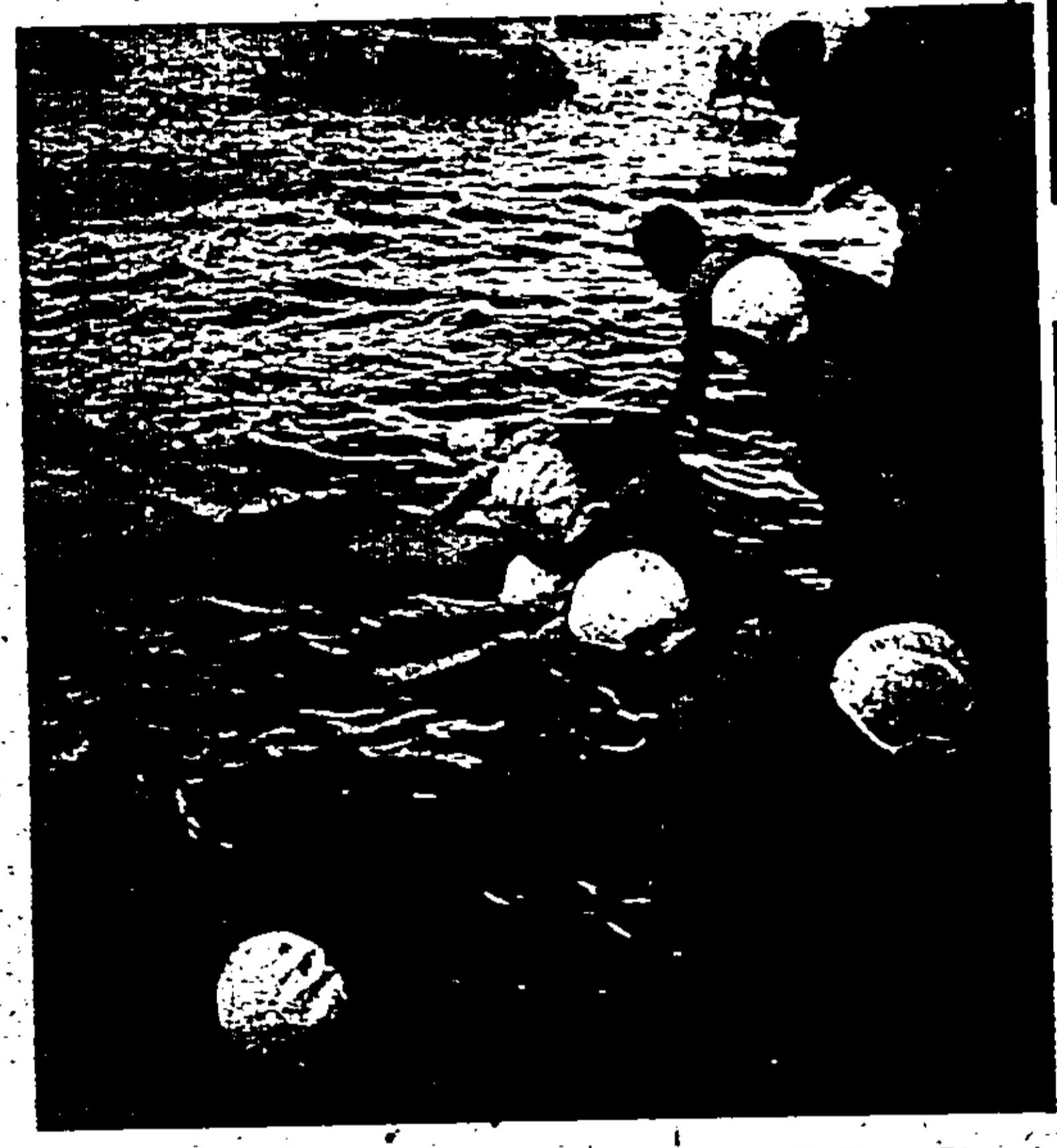
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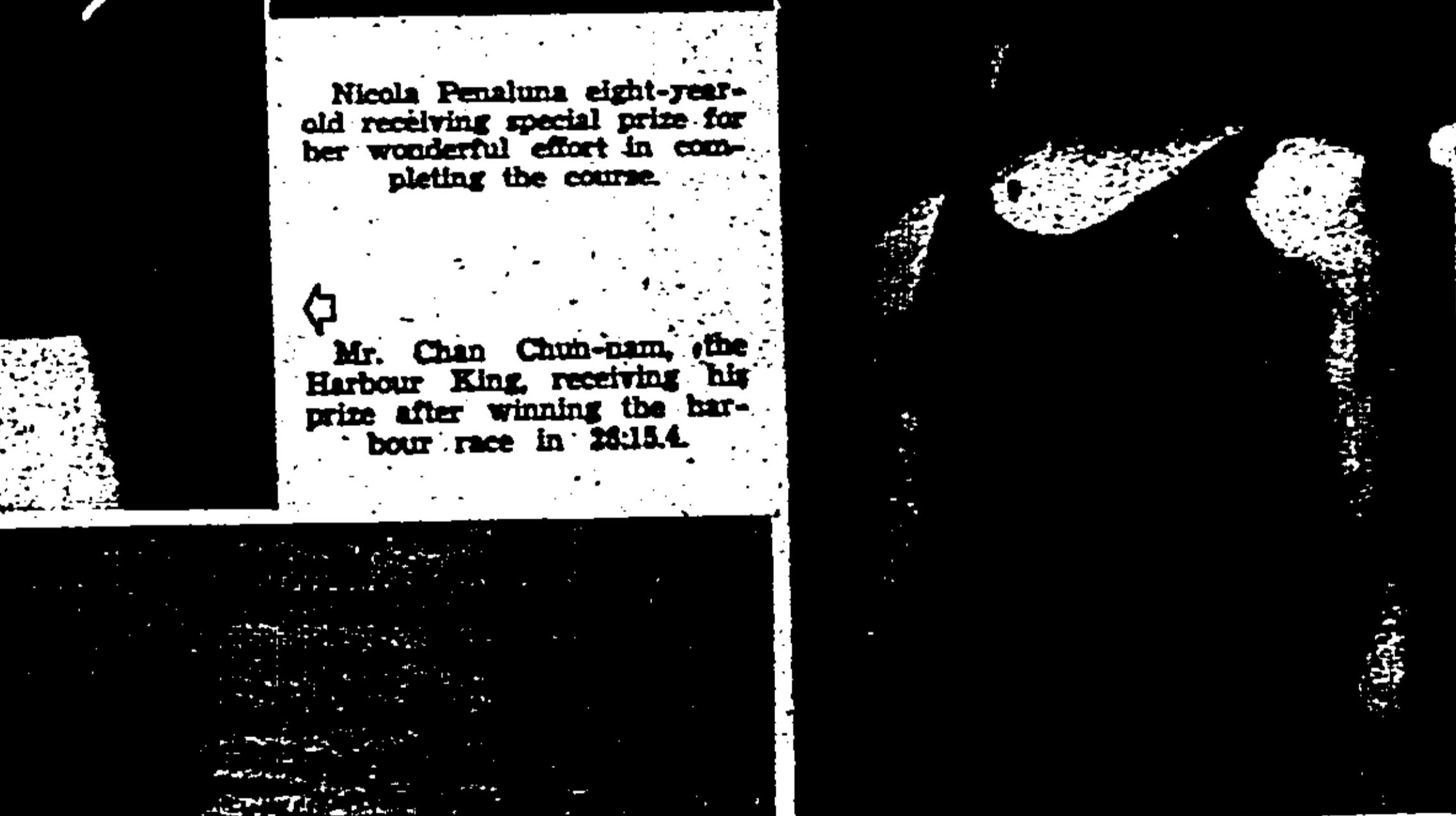


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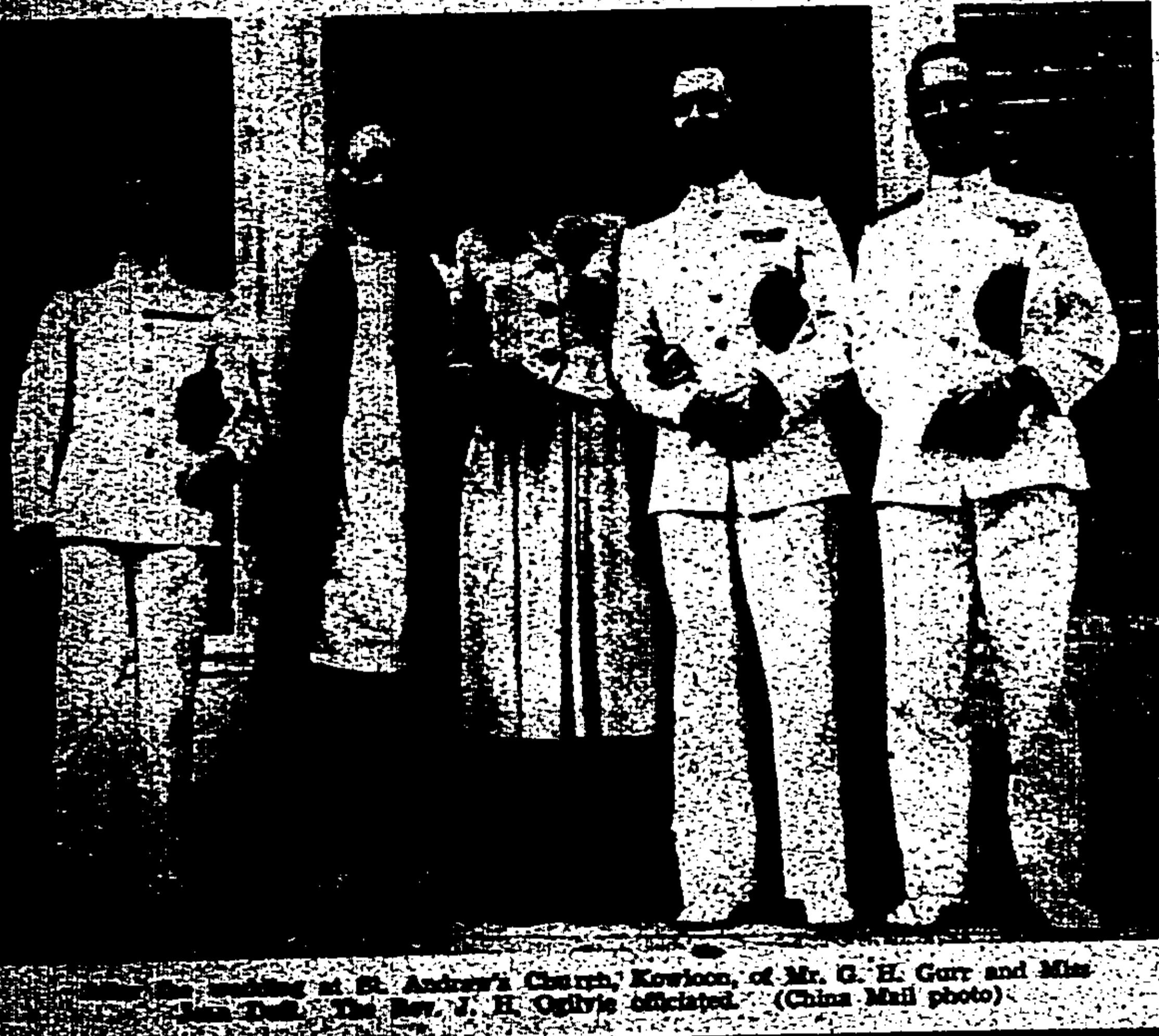
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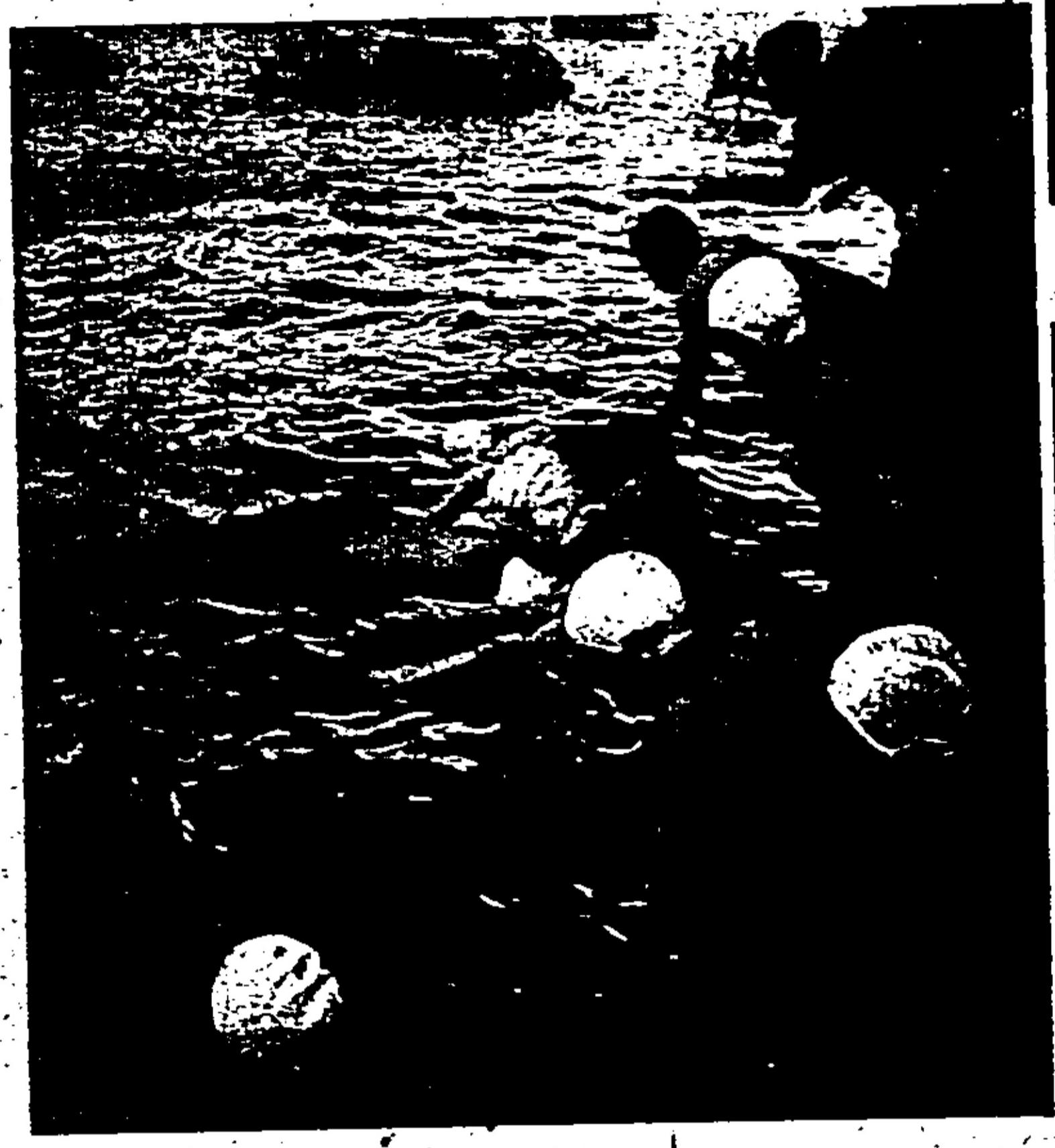
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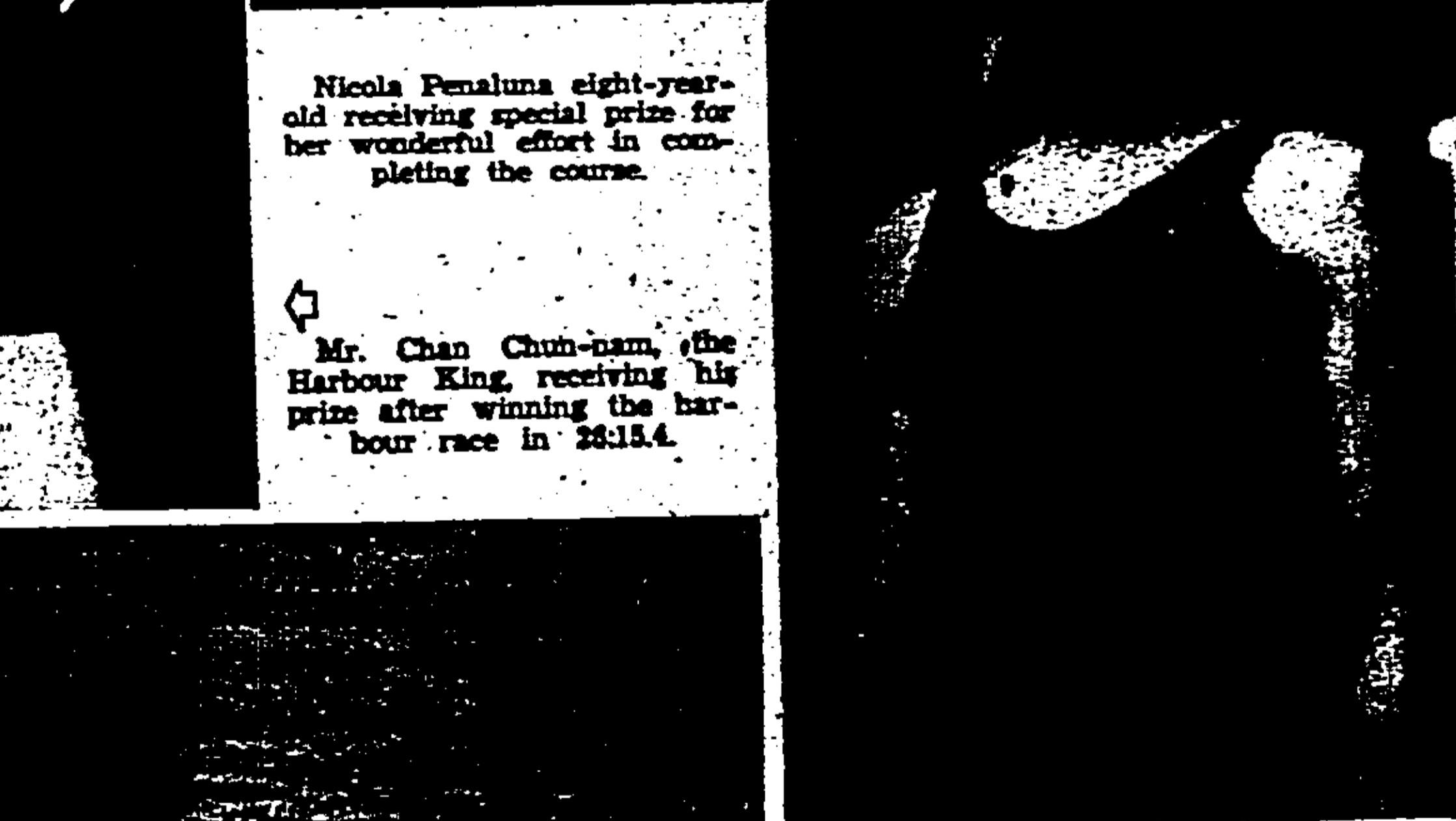
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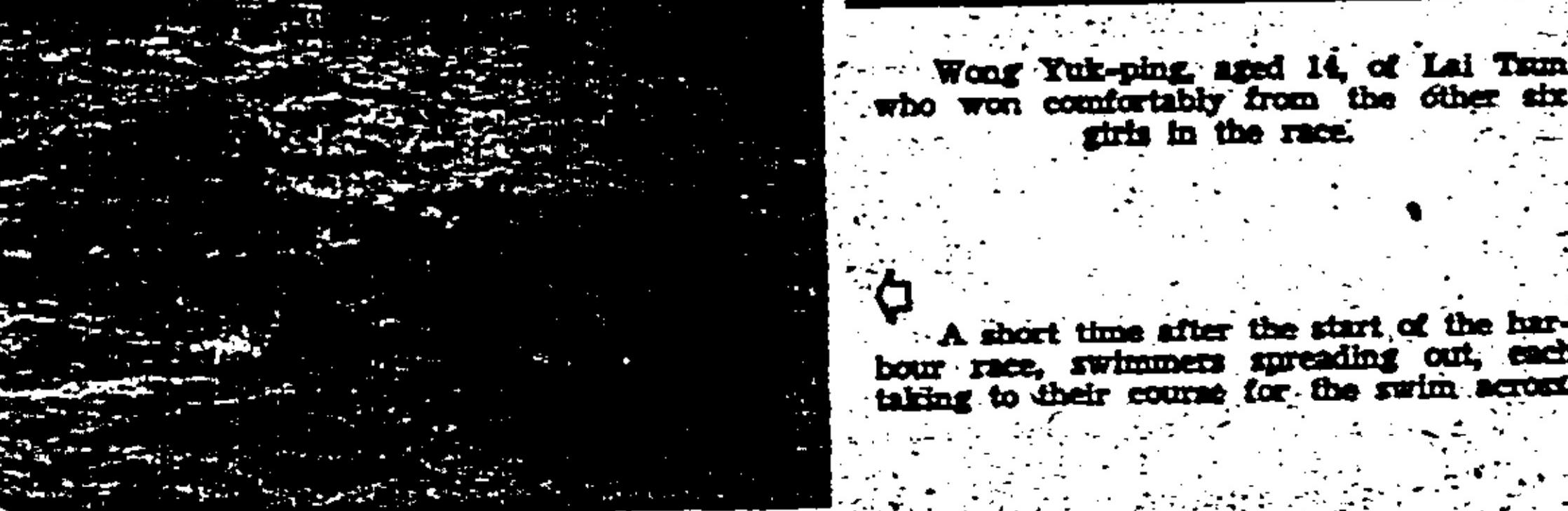
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The staff of the YWCA whose efforts made the dance at the Hong Kong Hotel a success. (China Mail photo)



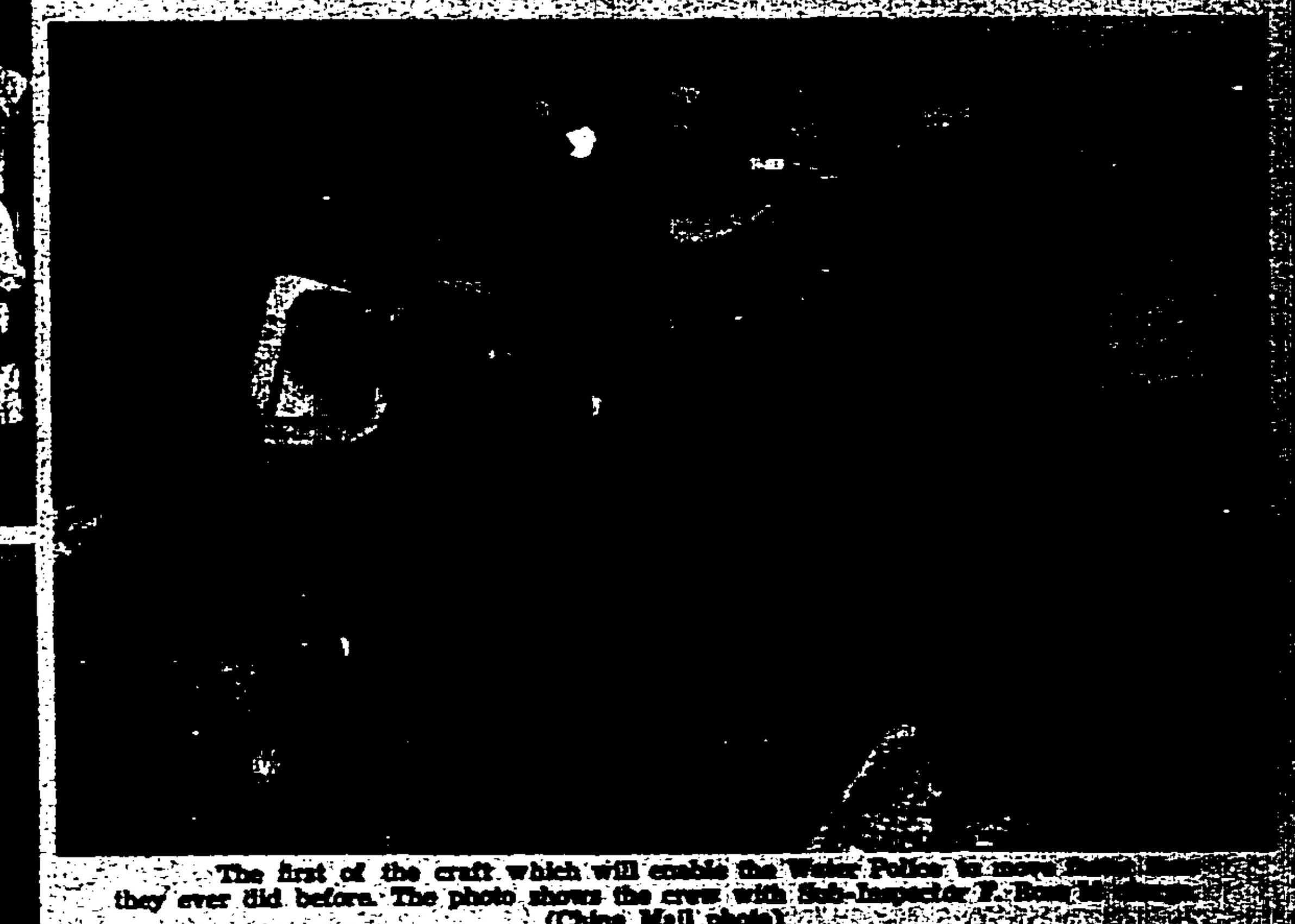
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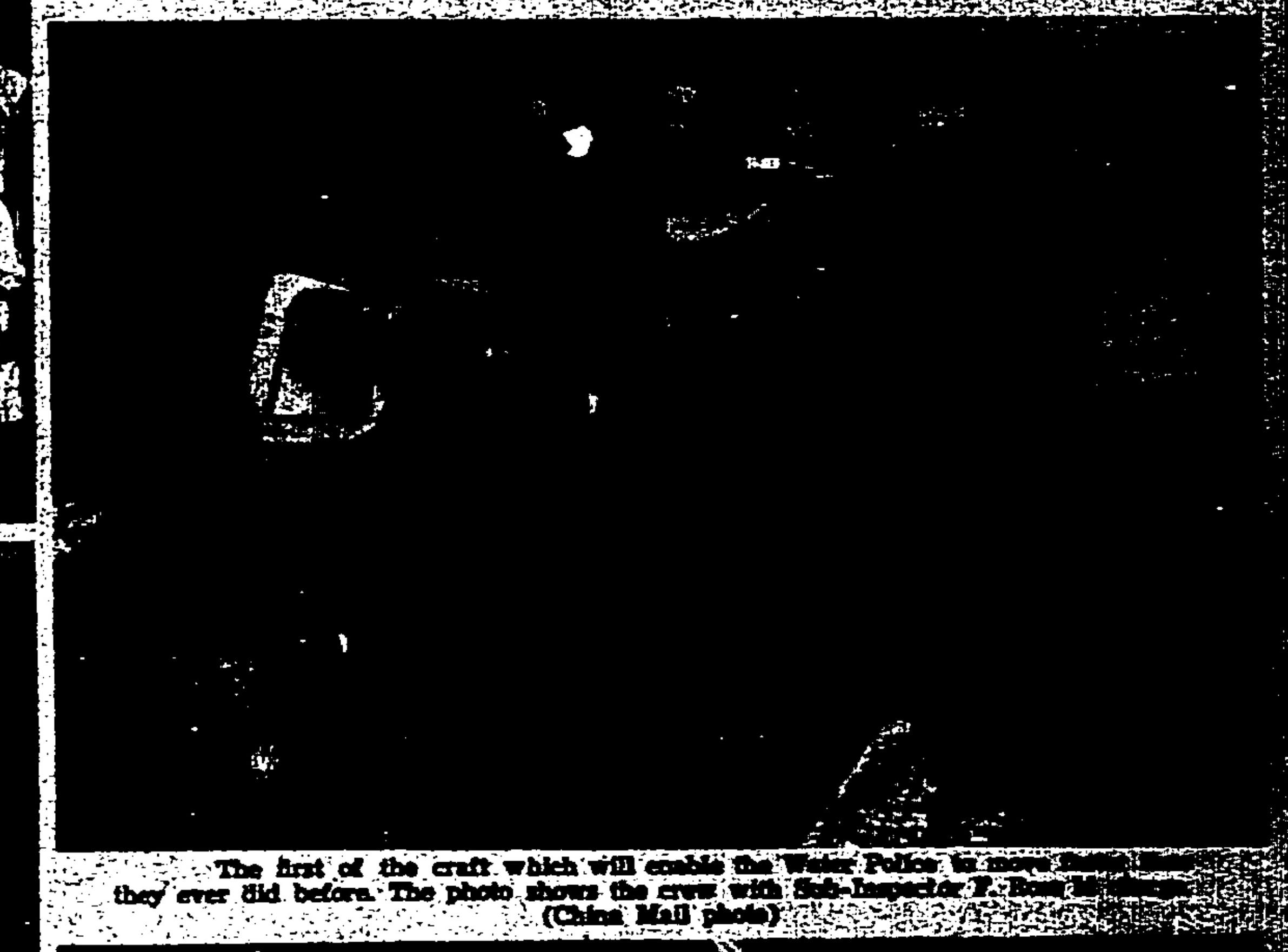
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The first of the craft which will enable the Water Police to move about more easily than they ever did before. The photo shows the crew with Sub-Lieutenant T. C. Thompson. (China Mail photo)



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Bob Detective

By MARIE MARSHALL

THE ELEPHANT THAT FORGOT**PART XI.**

Bob did not answer Dickie. Exactly why he thought he might need a policeman he did not know. Yet somehow he felt events were leading somewhere. Why the Rutherford boy had come to the circus—at first furiously and then openly—he could not tell. Of one thing he felt sure, and that was that the elephant had sensed danger.

Before the matinee was over the strange behavior of the elephant in the ring was the talk of the whole district, and long before the evening performance was due, the story had reached amazing lengths.

Bob did one or two jobs for Aunt Rose and then went home to dinner where he told his parents the true story.

"We heard the elephant went crazy and picked up a boy in his trunk and flung him to the ground," said Mrs. Pearce, greatly relieved on hearing the facts. "Bob, keep away from the circus! It might happen some other time."

"Please, mum, let me go on until I've solved the mystery," pleaded Bob.

"What mystery?" demanded his father, at the top of the table.

Bob hesitated. He knew it all sounded very fantastic. "Oh, there's an elephant that someone's trying to steal," he replied vaguely. "Little Abdulla, who owns the elephant, is sure some harm will come to the animal—and to his old lion, Rajah."

"Utter nonsense!" And with that Mr. Pearce went on eating. "Why, Bob, just because you want to be a detective you must not go round thinking there's mystery in every circus that comes along. Forget about the circus for the rest of the weekend."

But Bob found that he could not forget the circus, and next morning early, after promising his mother not to take on any more jobs, he strolled down to the enclosure.

Everything seemed strangely quiet. He expected to see the circus hands busy at their tasks among the tents and waggons, but not one person was in sight.

Puzzled, Bob walked from tent to tent. Then he stopped in front of Rajah's cage. The old lion was walking up and down, pausing every few seconds to give a loud roar.

"So you've come back!" said a voice. Bob recognised as Aunt Rose.

He turned round and was surprised to find the gipsy woman holding a handkerchief to her eyes.

"I just came along," began Bob. "Is—there anything wrong?"

For once those ornamental earrings were still. Aunt Rose seemed to be another person. All her lively spirit had gone.

"It's the elephant!" she replied with a catch in her voice. "He must have been sick yesterday when he played up. They say elephants know when these things are going to happen." She broke off and held her handkerchief to her nose. "He was a wonderful pet to everybody. I don't know what Little Abdulla will do. He's gone and shut himself up in the caravan. He just can't bear to be there."

"So the elephant isn't dead?" asked Bob, and there was a ring of hope in his voice. " Didn't you get the vet?"

"Can't get one for miles around. We've been everywhere. That

two in the district aren't at home."

"Send someone over to the police station. Dickie Wilson's father is in charge. They may be able to help. Dickie's father will do everything to help. I'm sure he will. Can I have a look at the elephant?"

"Come on, then."

Aunt Rose, now weeping loudly, walked beside Rob to the elephant's enclosure. Here Rob found the circus hands. Hopelessly, they stood around, gaping at the huge, prostrate form of the elephant.

Aunt Rose said something to a couple of boys who left the enclosure. Rob guessed she had told them to go to the police station. Rob had not known the elephant as the others had known him, but he felt a lump in his throat as he stared at the animal, so big, so helpless.

"Hello, old boy!" cried Rob, approaching the animal's head. "What's the matter, old boy? Up! Up!"

There was not the slightest movement from that amazing trunk.

(To be continued.)

A BUCCANEER

He stood on the deck of his ship, shouting orders to the crew, 8 feet 5 inches in his sea-boots; he was a giant of a man.

His long black hair was covered with a red turban, and from his protruding ears hung a large pair of gold earrings. Like his hair, his eyebrows were thick and bushy, nearly covering the dark-brown eyes which peered from under them. A long scar commenced just below the right eye, and disappeared into the thick black beard.

A black coat, with gold buttons down the front, hung loosely from his broad shoulders. There was a wide leather belt round his waist, and from it hung a large sword, on the hilt of which his left hand seemed to be always resting. His hands were large, and looked as if they were used to hard work. He wore a pair of dark trousers, which were tucked into a pair of high sea-boots.

His voice was like the bellow of a bull, he was courteous to women, but any man who angered him would soon regret it, for he was an expert with both sword and pistol, and was always to be found in the midst of a fight. It can be said that he was a good leader, and a man with not a little courage.

Honour certificate to W. Arthur Calvert, aged 14, H.Q. HKVD Corps, Garden Rd, Hong Kong.

Little Brown Filly

"Come on, come on, the little brown filly."

"Come one, come one, Hill Bill Billy."

These were the cheers at the races.

As Hill Bill Billy looked at their eager faces.

He was the favourite and expected to come first.

Beating last year's winner Bahurst,

Only two more laps to go and in the front was Reeding.

Another hedge to jump, he fell and came up bleeding.

Half a lap to go and Hill Bill put on speed.

And flashed past the finishing line in the lead.

Honour certificate to R.C. Kemp, 14c Hillwood Road, top floor, Kowloon.

What You Would Have Worn**1825—1850**

GIRLS: You are still wearing pantaloons, though now they are not so frilly. Your dresses are about the middle of your calf and they are almost bell shaped, with very narrow waists and full padded skirts. Your dresses are very attractive, with trimmings of fur and lace. Instead of wearing caps as you did 25 years ago, you now have really lovely bonnets with almost the entire garden on top.

BOYS: You are still wearing leg o' mutton sleeves, but the jackets are almost down to your knees. The collar of your jacket is very wide and trimmed with lace. Your trousers are still tight fitting and leaving your shoes very much exposed.

Almost everyone likes to wear an unbelievably large tam-o'-shanter style hat. If you don't care for this type of hat, then you can wear one like a chimney pot.

PEN PAL WANTED

Who would like to write to a girl in Australia who is interested in stamps, pictures, and sports?

Ronald Chen of Kowloon tells me that Glennis Samuel, aged 13, would like to write to someone in Hong Kong.

I am always receiving letters from people asking for pen friends in another country so I hope someone writes to her.

Glennis' address is 34 South Parade, Campsie, New South Wales, Australia.

She Didn't Know How

Young Annie, who was an enthusiastic novice in art, had returned from a trip to the country bringing many rural canvases. Examining these a friend made an interesting discovery; whenever Annie painted cows, she showed them standing in water. She asked the young artist to explain her fondness for this arrangement.

At first Annie sought to evade

Betty And The Chickens

There was once a little girl called Betty and her father kept a lot of chickens. Sometimes he let them out and they would run round in the garden.

Betty's daddy told her not to chase the chickens but one day when no one was looking, Betty got a stick and began to chase one of the chickens. The chicken was so excited that it flew on to the window ledge and as Betty was going to hit it it flew away and instead of hitting the chicken with the stick she hit the window.

Betty was smacked for breaking the window and she never chased the chickens again. Midget certificate to Jean Standley, aged 7, of 202 D Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.

the question, but when pressed for an answer, wryly explained, "Well, if you must know, I've never learned yet how to paint hoofs!"



In The Mailbag**RUSTY RILEY**

By FRANK GODWIN

SAMUEL SAMY wrote a long time ago and asked for some pen friends. I put his address in the "Children's Herald" but he tells me he has not received one letter. Would someone like to write to him? His address is 6 Hillwood Road, first floor, Kowloon.

DESIREE OZORIO is sick and she wrote asking me such a lot of questions that I am going to reply personally to her. I hope you are feeling better, Desiree.

BEATRICE BAPTISTA wrote asking if she was too old to enter the competitions. I don't know, Beatrice, you did not say how old you were. If you are 16 or under then you can enter the competitions and send in contributions, but if you are more than 16, I am sorry, but you cannot enter for the competitions. You are welcome to contribute to the "Children's Herald" but you are not eligible for prizes or honour certificates.

Who Am I?

H is in Hat but not in mat,
F is in eat and also in sleep,
R is in rumble and also in grumble,
A is in answer and also in danger,
L is in light but not in sight,
D is in donkey but not in monkey,
C is in curry but not in hurry,
O is in on and also in fond,
M is in merry but not in ferry,
P is in pump and also in plump,
A is in angel and also in angle,
N is in not but not in pot,
I is in ink and also in pink,
O is in forge and also in gorge,
N is in nut but not in cut.
S is in sunny but not in funny,
C is in cotton but not in rotten,
L is in little and also in riddle,
U is in umbrella and also in unicorn,
B is in ball but not in all,

My whole I'm sure you know by now,
And I present this specially to the members of the ... ,

Herald Companions Club.

Honour certificate to Desiree Ozorio, Kayamally Buildings, (top floor), Hong Kong.

DRAWINGS

Some very good drawings of Dick Tracy were sent to me by I. Chalmers of 6 Tregunter Mansions, May Road Hong Kong.

I have awarded him three points for them. I am sorry I could not have them printed but they would take up too much space.

OLD VILLAGE FOUND

The ruins of a small village believed to have flourished between 400 and 600 years ago have been unearthed in Oklahoma.

The ruins were excavated by a University of Oklahoma party. A cone-shaped mound, believed to be a tribal burial place, was found in the centre of the village and ruins of at least five or six huts have been uncovered.

Since some of the houses were built above others, it is believed the village was ancient. The houses were built by setting poles 12 to 15 inches apart in the ground, weaving brush and limbs through the poles and then plastering the structure with a sort of adobe mixture similar to that used by the Navajos of today. Roofs of the houses were thatched.



Children's Herald

AT MY TYPEWRITER...

Do you think the Children's Herald could be improved? If you do, would you like to write and tell me in what way it could be improved?

Do you think there should be more puzzles (or less)? Would you like more facts, do you like animals and if you do, would you like to learn about the different types there are and their habits? I should be very interested to know what you think and what you would like. After all, this is your paper. You write the majority of the stories and articles that are printed and help to make the paper interesting, so you should tell me what you want to read.

Maybe you would like some more competitions and maybe you have some marvelous ideas stored up in your head. If you have magazines with puzzles in them you like, why not send the idea along and let the other Heralders enjoy them too?

Have you any new ideas for a series of articles like "Did you know this?" and the other articles we have on the front page? Happy Days to you all, from

Auntie Vee

Did You Know This?

Every 38 seconds fire breaks out in the United States. Every 2 minutes an American dwelling catches fire. Every 50 minutes a person dies in a fire or from burns.

The red and white barber pole dates back to the middle ages when a barber was also the town surgeon. The spiral red and white stripes represent a bandage with which the barber-surgeon wrapped his patient after "blood-letting."

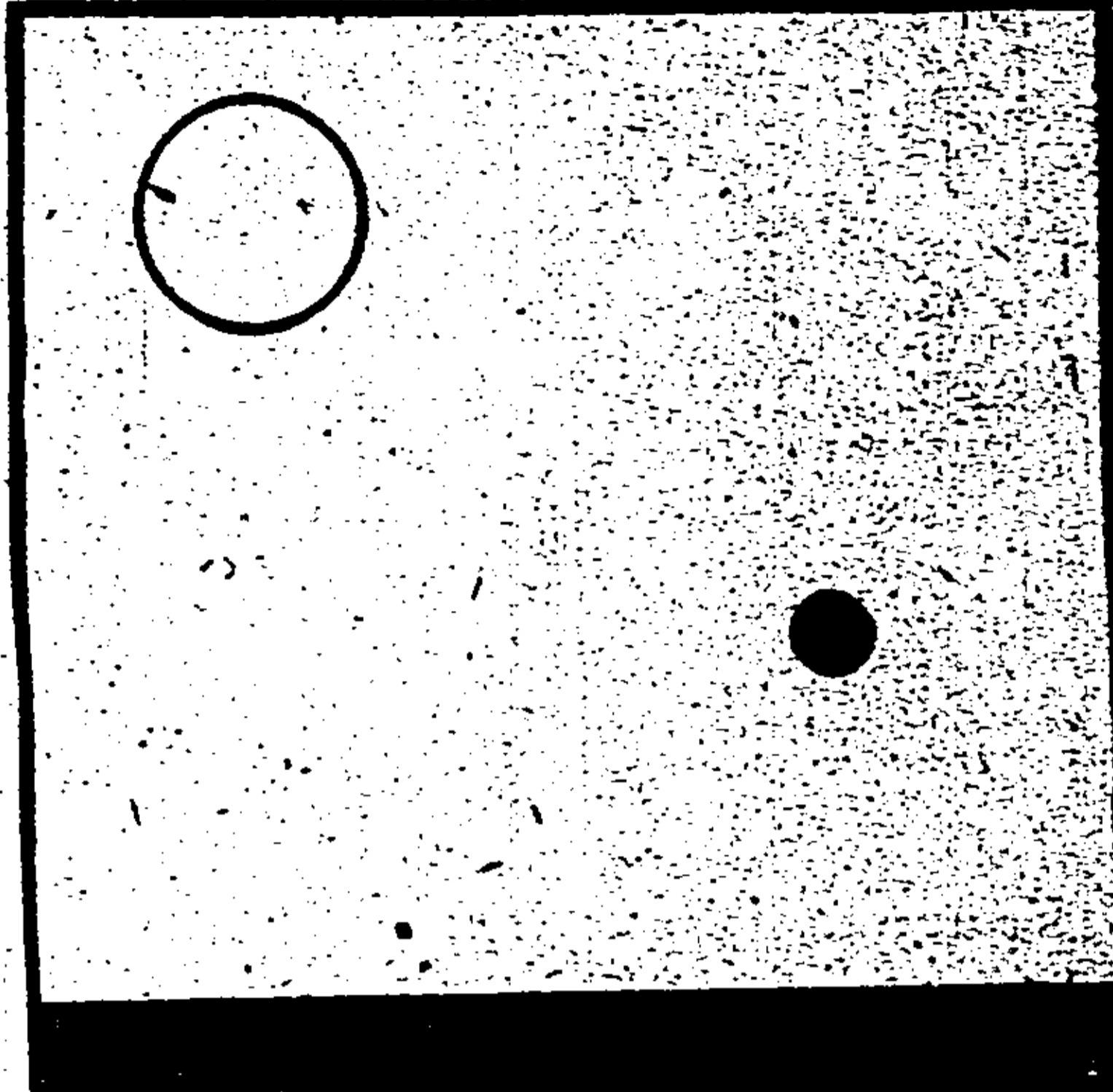
WORD WISDOM

Oubliette (oubliet) a dungeon in a castle or prison reached from a room above by a trap-door. Plunderage (plunderij) goods embezzled from on board a ship. Portent (portent) a sign or omen of things to happen in the future. Rampage (rampaj) to behave in an excited and turbulent manner. Rectify (rectify) to make straight or to correct and make amends. Intervene (intervene) to interrupt or come between something or somebody.

Quotation Cuts

Little Lamb, who made thee?
Does thou know who made thee?
Gave thee life, and bid thee feed,
By the stream, o'er the mead,
Gave thee clothing of delight,
Softest clothing, woolly, bright,
Gave thee such a tender voice,
Making all the vales rejoice?
Little Lamb, who made thee?
Doest thou know who made thee?
The Lamb, by William Blake.

PICTURE COMPETITION



This week we are going to have another picture competition as it seemed to be very popular last time.

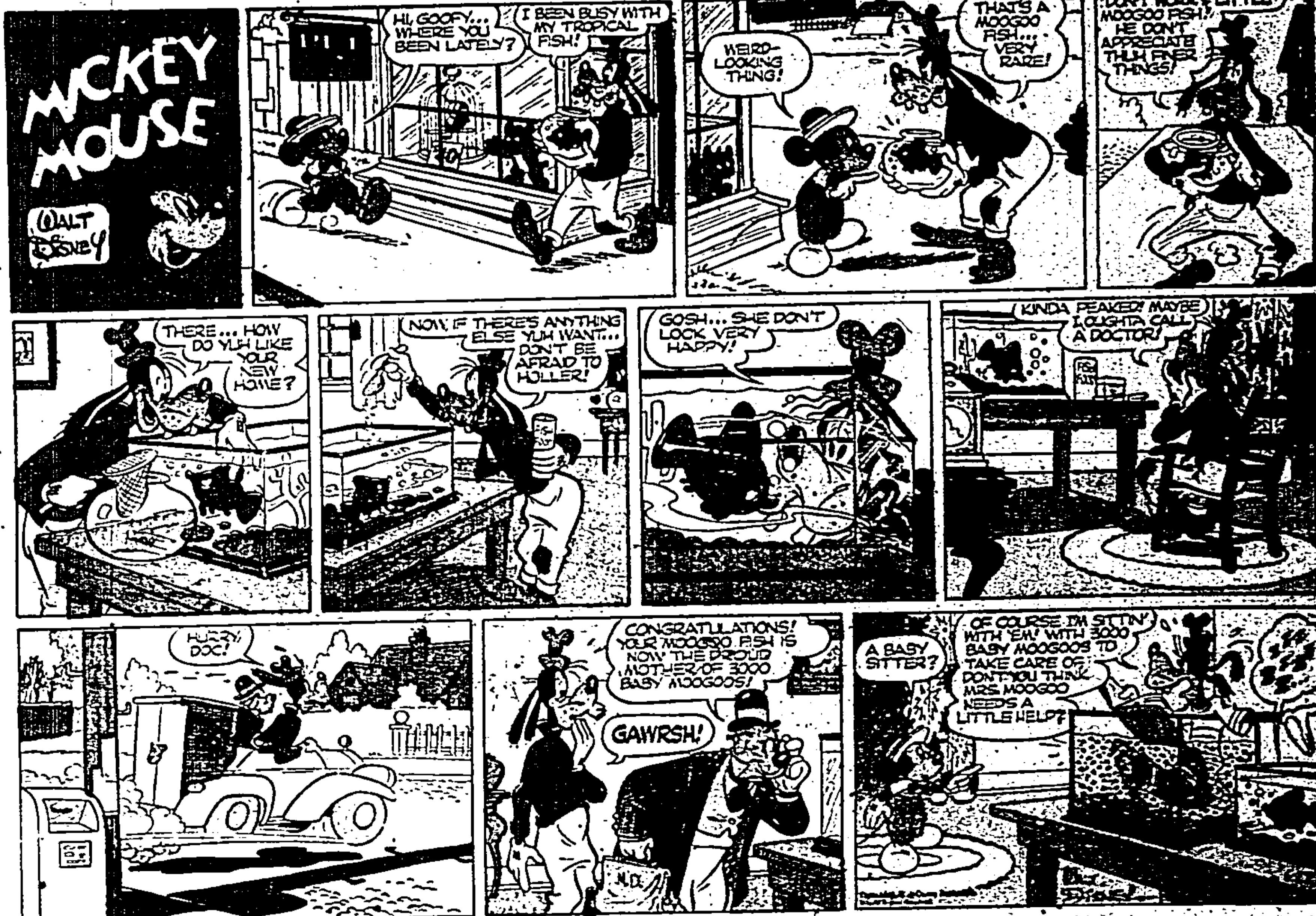
The picture you see above is only a circle and a dot. What can you make from them? You can add anything you like but you must not alter them. When you are quite sure your picture is finished send it along to me, Auntie Vee, Children's Herald, Windsor House, Hong Kong.

Enclose this slip with your entry and mark the left hand corner of your envelope "Competition."

The closing date for your entry is November 5. So you have five days to complete your picture.

First prize will be \$10, second prize \$7, and the third prize \$5. There will be three certificates as consolation prizes.

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THE COWARD

Once upon a time there were two children, a boy and a girl, who were twins. The girl was called Coralie and the boy was called Robert.

They were both boarders in a school and they played together.

Now Coralie played with all the girls and boys in the school but Robert was always afraid of everybody. He was even afraid of his own shadow. All the boys called him a coward and the girls would have nothing to do with him. He was sad and lonely as he had no one to play with except his sister. When it was time for drill he would run away and hide, but the boys would come and find him. Even when the P. T. teacher threw him the ball he was afraid of it and he would run away crying.

One day he and his sister were playing together when four boys came along and started pulling

Coralie's hair and they called Robert a sissy. He was very frightened, but when he saw another two boys come and join the other boys pulling Coralie's hair, he forgot to be afraid and he jumped on the six boys and began to punch them. The other boys tried to make him stop, but they couldn't and he soon had them crying to him to stop.

He had won the fight! Then one of the boys told him that they had not really hurt Coralie and that it was her idea to make him stop being afraid.

All the other children had gathered round when they saw Robert fighting and when he had won they were all very friendly, and from that day he was friends with everyone and he was no longer a coward.

Honour certificate to Patricia Bush of 251 Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.

The Beggar And The Musician

In one of the streets in Vienna a blind beggar used to play upon a violin and his dog would sit holding a cap, beside him.

One night he had been playing a long time and no one had given him any money. He feared that he would have no supper that night. After a while a gentleman passed by and he said to the beggar, "I know you are very tired because you have been playing a long time. Give your violin to me and I will play for you." So the beggar gave his violin to the gentleman.

The gentleman took the violin and tuned it. Then he began to play and before he had played many notes a large crowd came to listen to him.

When the musician had stopped the people threw money into the cap which was soon so heavy that the dog could hardly hold it.

The beggar then learned that man was the greatest musician in Vienna.

This story was sent in by Arthur Hamid who had it read to him at school, and he thought the other readers of the Children's Herald would like to read it also. Thanks, Arthur.

Faithful Dog

MEDFORD, Massachusetts — The steadiest visitor at Lawrence Memorial Hospital barks at the door instead of knocking.

The caller is Gal, a six-year-old German shepherd seeing-eye dog. Gal makes daily visits to her blind mistress, Dr. Muriel Anderson, 52, a physician from David City.

Inseparable for five years, Gal and Dr. Anderson were parted temporarily when the woman was struck by a truck while visiting friends in Medford.

Despite Dr. Anderson's long hospitalisation with a fractured

Mickey Mouse



Honour certificate to Bing Wong, aged 10, of Stone Manner, Sassoon Road, Hong Kong.

SORT OUT THESE JUMBLED WORDS —

If you go to England for a holiday you will most likely visit some of these towns. They are all jumbled up, see if you can sort them out. If you cannot find them all then turn the page up side down.

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BY WAY OF MEMORY

TO indulge in reminiscence is a pleasant occupation made all the sweeter by the passage of years. A painting, a book, or play, or a city may open up memory's vein for some. For others, music may be the means whereby the present is outlawed temporarily by memories of the past.

The means by which memories are conjured up must always be a matter of individuality, and will vary from time to time according to the circumstances as they were. With music, however, I feel there is a particularly sympathetic characteristic which renders it the ideal medium for indulgence in things gone by. "The years that the locust has eaten" may or may not be true, but a pleasant memory can do much to eradicate the unhappy or wasted periods.

MY first memory of music must have been when I was perhaps about six, an unwilling but subservient attendant at Sunday School. It so happened I sat near the organ, and I well remember how the keyboard and impressive array of stops fascinated me. They still do, for that matter.

At the more mature age of ten or thereabouts, I recall my first hearing of "The Messiah". I cannot truthfully say it made any impression on me (probably boredom) but whenever I hear that oratorio now, memory takes me back over the years to that performance of my boyhood days. To my own way of thinking, "The Messiah" is the greatest musical conception existing, even excluding Beethoven's Choral Symphony and Elgar's "Apostles." There will be many, I know, who will disagree and will plunge into technical analysis of this, that and the other to prove how grossly ignorant I am. The cold fact remains, however, that personally I find "The Messiah"—every chapter and verse of it, if my metaphor is not too mixed—the most thrilling of all music I know. Whilst the chorus work can make or mar its performance, does any other Oratorio give the soloists such equal chance to shine as the "Messiah?" I think not.

FURTHER along the path of musical memory, I recall vividly hearing Kreisler play the Mendelssohn Concerto at Bournemouth way back in the 30's. However much Kreisler may have departed at time from the orthodox, he was always a supreme artiste, and this music ranks for me along with the best ever written for the fiddle. The lovely Andante in the second movement is typical of the sensuous charm with which Mendelssohn invested his "Songs without words."

The page of memory turns again to the Albert Hall, where I heard, amongst others, Gigli, Toti dal Mante, McCormack, Schnabel, Menhuir and Suggia. For many concert-goers, the Albert Hall must be replete with musical memories. The Queen's Hall, home of the Proms, was blasted by the Hun in 1941, but by some fortunate chance the even larger target of the Albert Hall went unscathed. Although the acoustics are not all that could be wished, the Albert Hall today is the shrine of music in London.

DURING the War years, Dame Myra Hess instituted a series of lunchtime Concerts in the National Gallery. Although unhappily, I was never able to attend these, the vast audiences which crammed the Gallery to overflowing, spoke volumes for the quality of the music performed.

More recently still, memory takes me back to the quiet Hampshire Downs on a perfect summer's evening. I recall the voice of Isobel Baillie singing "Oh Sleep, why dost thou leave me?", from Handel's "Semele." A lovely record of this Handelian gem I do not know, but it will always recall for me that quiet garden and the stillness of the night.

PERHAPS it is not good to go too far with memories such as these, since the past, I feel, compares favourably with the unsettled present. Be that as it may, it is good to halt occasionally on the swift-running tide of modern times and to indulge in retrospective rumination of by-gone days. If one feels that "those were the days" indeed, so much worse for a World which today cannot offer the pleasures of the past.

SUNDAY

AN innovation in tonight's programmes occurs at 9.05 p.m., when instead of the normal Symphony, there is to be a Symphony Concert in two parts, the second part being on the air at 10.16 after the London news. Part I consists of:

Overture to "Alceste" —Gluck
Concerto Grosso —Vivaldi
"Lorelei" —Mendelssohn
Symphony No. 6 —Schubert

Part II

Pianoforte Concerto —Bliss

An interesting and varied bill of fare, the chief offering being, I feel, Schubert's No. 6. The overwhelming popularity of his Unfinished Symphony tends to submerge the later works in its all-embracing shadow. Whilst it is readily admitted the Unfinished has achieved its popularity on its own merits, it is an unhappy circumstance that Schubert's later Symphonies do not stand out in greater relief. In the No. 6 Schubert displays a more mature idiom than is the case in the earlier live works. As always with Schubert, melodies chase each other with incredible rapidity, the whole work being a Symphony of true Schubertian beauty.

The Vivaldi Concerto is also a work to be heard with attention. With Corelli, Vivaldi was the "founder" of the Concerto, and it was the intrinsic worth of his music in this form that persuaded J. S. Bach to pursue it further, resulting in the Brandenburg series. Handel, too, was a devotee of this music-form, and he, like Bach, based his compositions on the principles so ably expounded by Vivaldi.

MONDAY

AT 9.30 p.m. to-morrow there is a further London Playhouse of the production of the film "Quiet Weekend." The stage play I recall seeing in England, and I regard it as one of the best light comedies ever produced in the West End. It ran for some two years, I believe, and Esther McCracken, the authoress, achieved the unusual success of having a further play "Quiet Wedding" running concurrently. I did not see the film shown in the Colony some months ago now, but I recall Derek Farr and Frank Cellier were in the cast. This feature should make happy hearing.

At 10.16 by way of some contrast, there is to be a selection of Puccini's operatic music. His death in 1924 has left a so-far unfilled place in this realm. He seems, to my mind, to have been the last of that long line of Italian Composers, comprising Verdi, Mascagni and Leoncavallo. Even of these three, Mascagni is remembered only for "Cavalleria Rusticana" whilst Leoncavallo achieved nothing to equal "Il Pagliacci" in popularity. Puccini, as with Verdi, emphasises the vocal line in all his scores, although he was more inclined to allow the orchestral accompaniment to assist in the built-up of atmosphere than Verdi. None can deny the oriental flavouring of tone-colour in "Turandot" and "Butterfly", the music of which is so strangely contrasted to that of say "Bohème" or "Manon Lescaut."

Be that as it may, this half-hour of Puccini will be worth-while listening, and I hope that further selections from the Puccini store will be listed and displayed in the near future.

Contributed By "MUSSETTA"

TUESDAY

AT 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday Aileen Woods presents an Anniversary Programme, and since her own birthday is close on the anniversary of her "Stage & Screen Favourites" feature, there is double occasion for congratulation. Aileen has many first-hand connections with stage and screen and her knowledge of this subject is encyclopaedic!

She has, at one time or another, introduced nearly all the newest tunes to Hong Kong, including the scores of "Oklahoma," "Annie Get your Gun," "Song of Love" and Carnegie Hall."

Her first appearance on the air was when she gave all the records and the story of "The Jolson Story."

AILEEN came to the Colony in 1911 with her mother and sister, and many of the older residents remember them in the City Hall days, when they devoted their time and talent to entertaining Service men. All the old favourites of World War I were introduced to the Colony by the Woods family, and, incidentally, to many other parts of the Orient as well.

Aileen is including in this Anniversary Programme some of these old songs which were so popular in the Colony 20 years ago, and which are still worth hearing today. Whether in 20 years, the songs of World War II will still be remembered remains to be seen, but Aileen's programme will of necessity turn the wheels of memory for many.

Friends and colleagues at Radio Hong Kong join in wishing all the best of success to Aileen Woods and a long-life to her popular programme.

WEDNESDAY

AN unusual feature at 9.15 p.m. on Wednesday night is a talk by Edward Ward entitled "Focus on Italy." Ward is the well-known B.B.C. correspondent who put over a series of terrific despatches from Helsinki in the early War Days—later toured the Middle East field of operations when Lord Montgomery (then Sir Bernard) was G.O.C. He achieved fame, too, last year for his broadcast on Christmas Day from a light-house at Land's End. He was eventually marooned there by gales for some ten days and now claims to be the first civilian to be that long in a light house!

As a happy thought, immediately following a performance of Tchaikovsky's "Capriccio Italienne" is being given. "Strange Harmony of Contrasts," as says the librettist of "Tosca!"

THURSDAY

AT 7.30 p.m. on Thursday Philip Burns presents a feature called "Development of Jazz." The age-old controversy of Classics v Jazz will, I suppose, be ever present. It seems to have diminished a little of late, although I doubt if the bitterness of feeling on the opposing sides is any the less! I feel a principle of 'live and let live' should be applied to this question. Those that enjoy Jazz, let 'em have it, says I. It is futile to deny the high degree of musicianship involved in Dance Music (I except the extreme forms of boogie-woogie which to my idea is as senseless as its name implies) and one must perforce admire the arrangements of the better-class dance-bands. Anyway, there is neither time nor space to enlarge on this topic now, but it is meat for thought.

At 9.30 p.m. Beethoven's "Emperor" Pianoforte Concerto is being given, and this is a "must" feature for all music-lovers.

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Health Page

STATE HOSPITALS MUDDLE

BY MARGERY LAKE

(Acting Organiser of the National Federation of Hospital Officers, a newly formed trade union)

IS the State Hospital Service going to be a success? Everyone is asking this question. Best fitted to answer it are the house governors of our hospitals—those laymen of long experience in hospital administration who manage the day-to-day business of our great institutions and see things from the inside. The answer is that there is not a hospital administrator in the country who is not profoundly pessimistic

Tight Control

WHEN the plans for State hospitals were first made known there were many doubts as to whether a service of such a human and intimate character could really benefit and improve under the dead hand of State control.

Assurances were promptly given that the regional boards and hospital management committees to be appointed would be given a free hand in the conduct of their affairs; that there would be no regimentation in the service that can only flourish on freedom; and that in no circumstances would our hospital system be allowed to become a great impersonal State machine.

These assurances were accepted. To hospital administrators the future looked more promising. Certainly hospitals would be free from all financial worries; no need to rattle collecting boxes or worry about another penny on the rates: the State was to bear the full cost. It seemed that a great opportunity lay ahead and administrators were prepared to grasp it with both hands.

But what has happened since? From day to day it has become increasingly clear that it is the intention to direct and control the service from Whitehall. Regional boards and hospital management committees are not being allowed the free hand they were promised. They are told what they are to do and how they are to do it.

An attempt is being made to direct and control the service from Whitehall by officials who have no first-hand knowledge of their subject.

Key Posts

It goes without saying that first-class doctors and efficient, well-trained nurses are an essential requisite of a good hospital service, but the work of these two sections is dependent on the administrative organisation that enables them to function. Indeed, the "kingpin" of the hospital set-up is the chief administrative officer.

It follows, as regional boards and hospital management committees well know, that for the key posts in the service only the best and most experienced men would do. But the Ministry has laid down, without consultation with any representative body, salaries for these key posts which are substantially less than responsible hospital officers are already receiving.

The protests of regional boards were turned down. They had to advertise at the salaries. White-hall had directed. The result is, of course, that in many cases no men of adequate experience applied at all, and boards and management committees have had no option but to appoint unqualified men. Nothing could be more detrimental to the service as a whole.

Since July 5 a spate of Ministerial directives and memoranda has been addressed to hospitals. Common to all of them is a conspicuous lack of any practical knowledge of hospital matters. One such directive announced that administrative and clerical workers in hospitals are to be paid overtime.

To the uninitiated this may not appear unreasonable, but anyone with a knowledge of hospitals would know that it is the pride of the hospital officer that his is a vocation rather than just another job. He enters the service knowing that patients are not sick only from nine to five and that his hours are likely to be as irregular as those of the doctor or the trained nurse. The payment of overtime belittles the status of the hospital officer, and must tend to keep the best type of man and woman from entering the service.

Hospital administrators, too, are alarmed at the growing cost of hospital provision under Ministry control. Boards and management committees are being encouraged to appoint two or three officers where formerly the work was done adequately by one. Increased junior staff is becoming necessary in hospitals to keep up with the Ministry's demands for filling up forms and making returns.

What is happening is producing an entirely different atmosphere and spirit in our hospitals. Voluntary workers are giving up. Student nurses stage a protest march from Trafalgar-square to Hyde Park. Committees of management are becoming frustrated and disinterested.

A New Union

A FEW months ago the bulk of men and women working in hospitals did not feel that hospitals and trade unions could mix. Now hospital officers in their hundreds are joining the National Federation, a new non-political trade union formed to protect their interests and those of the hospitals service.

Before July 5 such a trade union would never have been thought necessary.

And yet it may not be too late. When, in 1939, the Emergency Medical Service was being set up the then Minister appointed a small advisory committee of hospital administrators, all men with practical experience of the job, who really knew what was wanted to provide a good and efficient service.

But for the new hospital service there is no such committee. One must be set up forthwith.

Only thus can our hospital service maintain its high level of the past. It is for the setting-up of this advisory committee that the National Federation of Hospital Officers proposes to press; and the public, who are paying for the service and are entitled to the best service, must support the Federation in its fight.



To Keep PRESENTABLE ALWAYS

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Sacred Is A Trust. Ain't It?

THE current spate of film stars disguised as clergymen of all sects—another one cropped up only last Friday—reminds us vaguely of an interview that we granted many years ago to Mr. Goldwyn when we were the film critic of the Hastings Weekly Bugle. Or, maybe, we are thinking of Mr. Mayer. Anyway, it was a little dark man in pinstriped trousers.

In those days, of course, moving pictures were still in their infancy and had not reached their present mature state of being in what we often think is their second childhood.

The interview, if we remember rightly—and we rarely do—ran as follows:

MR. GOLDWYN (OR MR. MAYER): Don't you think it would be a wonderful idea, Mr. Norcott, if, just for a change, we were to dress up a film actor as a clergyman? The public are getting rather tired of cowboys.

US: No. We think it would be a terrible idea.

MR. GOLDWYN (OR MR. MAYER): Why?

US: Because a film actor dressed up like a clergyman wouldn't deceive a baby. He would look just like a film actor dressed up like a clergyman.

MR. GOLDWYN (OR MR. MAYER): Let me give you the angle, Mr. Norcott. Suppose that he were to play the part of a very manly, broadminded clergyman? You know, go into low speakeasies and drink a glass of beer with the heels, and reform boys by teaching them to box, and so on. What then?

US: In our view it would still stink.

MR. GOLDWYN (OR MR. MAYER): Ah, but wait, Mr. Norcott. You haven't heard the most brilliant angle of all yet—nothing less than a crooning clergyman who wins everybody's confidence by standing up and fearlessly giving them the old boopity... boop! Wouldn't that be box-office?

US: Not to us it wouldn't.

Well, the upshot of that interview is now film history. Mr. Goldwyn (or Mr. Mayer) returned to Hollywood quite unshaken in his strange belief, and today there is no living film star, with the possible exception of the Marx Brothers and Donald Duck, who in some masterpiece of Technicolor has not completely convinced us that he is just a player dressed up like a clergyman, no matter how divinely he may have sung and danced.

Any questions, Mr. Goldwyn? Any questions, Mr. Mayer?

LANE NORCOTT

Our Serial Story

THE AUSTRALIAN BEST-SELLER

THESE ARE MY PEOPLE

The Little Moron remained indifferent to massage and the attention of nurses. Regular X-rays showed very little, if any, sign of the broken bone knitting. The leg rested in a split plaster shell and was comfortable enough. The swelling had gone down, and I was free from pain. The doctor had decided to give it another fortnight, and if there was then no indication that the bone was growing the Moron was to be amputated.

Anyway, amputated or not, we were still determined to finish our trip. I discussed the position with Olive, and we decided to get rid of the horses as soon as I left the hospital. Even if I retained my leg it would be necessary to wear splint for many months, which would make walking much more difficult. Attending to horses and nursing an injured leg at the same time was beyond me.

I wrote to my brother-in-law asking him to bring up my old car, a veteran Ford with two hundred thousand miles of travel behind it. If we couldn't pull the caravan with horses we could pull it with a car.

The Ford was so fitted that I only used one leg to drive it. The Little Moron had always been a sojourner, and the fact that he was indisposed would not make any difference.

In the meantime I settled down to wait the results of the next X-ray.

The nurses were giving a party in their quarters a few days later. Airmen from a station not far away were invited, and I was included. The matron gave me permission to go, and I got ready to attend my first party in pyjamas.

When the night arrived two nurses wrapped me in blankets and lifted me into a wheel chair. They trundled me across the yard and into a spacious sitting-room where blue-uniformed men sat talking to girls I hardly recognised as the nurses who had been bustling through the wards an hour previously.

They danced and sang, and I drank two pots of beer pushed surreptitiously into my hand by a generous airman. My condition, after nearly three months in hospital, was hardly robust enough to meet the impact of alcohol on a convalescent stomach, and I began to wish for the solidity of my bed. It, at least, was stable.

Toward midnight I hailed the night nurse who was stealing a few minutes from duty to peep in at the door, and she wheeled me back through a ward that was suddenly indicative of suffering, and to my verandah bed which now had the quality of a prison. It was time I left the hospital.

I was discharged after the next X-ray. The doctor said there was a definite improvement and that, if I kept my leg in a splint for six months, the bone would probably heal.

For three days I practised walking in the back yard of the hospital. My "good" leg had to be trained to take over the entire responsibility of each forward thrust, and it resented the extra work. It swelled and developed an ache of its own. Its enforced rest had made it soft.

On the day I was to leave I walked with less trepidation and when I took over my car from brother-in-law Thomas at the hospital gates, I had regained my confidence.

However, a new saying had now appeared on my list. I was to use it frequently in the months that followed:

"Look out for my leg!"

The Moron was so delicate that a knock would snap him again, and since I averaged a fall a day he was a constant worry to me.

By ALAN MARSHALL

Falls, to those who walk on crutches in rough places, are a commonplace. You take them in your stride, as it were. Olive was learning that I exploited my falls by extending the period in which I lay on the ground so that I could examine ants and tiny insects; all the things that can only be enjoyed when your face is just above the earth.

If I fell when in her company she would kneel down beside me to look at things instead of rushing forward to help me, as she had done when first we knew each other. Only people who fall often know of the world beneath a blade of grass.

But now it was different. I had to fall with judgement instead of haphazardly, as was my custom. Falling had become the undignified departure from normal of those who have never swung between crutches. It had lost its pleasure.

Preparing the caravan for towing by car took up a few days. I got the local blacksmith to remove the pole and substitute a short tow-bar. I left it on its four wheels with the motor car seat in front. This gave it rather an odd appearance when tearing along behind the car. It seemed to be following us under protest like a dignified old lady forced into running.

We couldn't sell Millie. It would have been a betrayal of our friendship. We gave her to the farmer in whose paddock she had been grazing. I arranged to have Jim sold in the sale-yards.

Olive and I went to catch him and to bid good-bye to Millie. We stroked her neck where her winter coat was curled and matted like the hair of a retriever dog. When we walked away from her she followed us. She had never done this before. We caught Jim and led him towards the gate with Millie trailing behind. She seemed surprised when we closed the gate and left her alone in the paddock. She whinnied and showed an unusual animation. We walked down the road and she followed with the fence between us. At the corner she could come no farther. She hung over the fence, watching us, her drooping underlip more pendulous than ever. We did not see her again.

On the day of the sale it rained heavily. I sat beside the ring from early morning till late afternoon. Hundreds of horses passed through—heavy draughts, ponies, hacks, unbroken colts... They trotted nervously on to the sawdust and snorted as they found themselves surrounded by men leaning on the rails of the circular fence.

It looked as if Jim would be the last to appear. The horses, draggled with rain and splashed with mud, were bringing ridiculous prices.

"One pound. A pound. A pound. I say, any advance on a pound. A pound for the mare—and she's a good one. One pound, I'm bid. One pound. A note gets her. Out." The hammer fell.

I could see Jim going for ten bob. Aged horses of his stamp were evidently not in demand. I noticed that the best prices were obtained when the owner personally recommended his animal.

"This horse, gentlemen, hasn't a vice. My wife drives him herself."

He's a good stock horse and you can catch him anywhere."

Bidding livened up, then, and such horses brought their value. I decided to try a similar line when Jim appeared.

He trotted in looking his worst. He was tucked-up and shivering with the cold. I walked over to the rear of the auctioneer's stand and tapped him on the shoulder with one of my crutches. He bent down to hear what I had to say.

"I own this horse," I said. "He's the best horse in Australia. He's faultless. I've just driven him from Melbourne."

The auctioneer grinned. "Sounds like a good horse to me."

He straightened and yelled in a voice that brought a startled bound from Jim: "Here's a horse, gentlemen. One of the finest animals ever to grace this ring. A noble steed, if ever there was one. What am I offered for the magnificent animal that carried the man on crutches behind me 400 miles without damage to a crutch? Here's the answer to a nervous wife's prayer. What will I start him at? Who'll make an offer? Give me a start now. Who'll say a fiver? A fiver, I'm bid. Five pound, I'm bid. Five pound, I say..."

Jim was knocked down for seven pounds ten.

Next day we left with a laden caravan and empty pockets. The cheque for Jim was a memory.

We now had to adjust our conception of distance over again. A sign-post that informed us we were five miles from a township had, when Jim and Millie supplied the power, also revealed that we would not reach that township for an hour. In a car, five miles was considered "there".

When travelling the road at a walking pace time lost the value placed on it by cities. But the car was a city product and brought with it a compulsion to recognise that time is valuable.

We missed the sounds we loved—the jingle of hobble chains, the snort of a feeding horse blowing chaff from its nostrils, the crunching of grain as they chewed the oats in their nose-bags.

I had loved the feel of chaff pouring from a bag across my arm and the smell of grass torn in mouthfuls from the earth.

But now these were gone and in their place we had the smell of petrol fumes, the knocking of a worn engine, and the lifeless silence of a car at rest.

Trees peeping over curved horizons had, hitherto, emerged and approached us with timid reluctance. Now they rushed towards us, waved their arms in a sudden swirl of air and fell back as if in disgust at our hurry. We sped past clumps of dillon bush, glimpsing the flick of a bird's wing started into action without being able to recognise the bird. The quick rumble of a bridge told us that a creek had passed beneath us. "Feed" didn't matter now, yet we never lost our interest in patches of grass.

"What a camp for horses!" we would exclaim, then speed on to a spot more suitable for the wheels of a car.

The lack of blacksmiths' shops and watering places ceased to worry us. The worries of a decrepit car took their place. The motor refused to idle; the battery wouldn't hold power, and each morning I had to crank the engine.

I evolved a method of mending punctures with the least inconvenience to my splinted leg. Punctures were so common, due to our worn tyres, that their repair became a matter of routine, but the strangled coughing that sometimes seized the old bus was a mystery I could not solve.

My monthly petrol ration only took us a certain distance. We were thus forced to camp for long periods in the one place. When our supply was almost exhausted we searched for a good camping spot on a river and made it our home till a new issue of tickets was due.

We contacted Soldiers' Welfare Associations and Red Cross Centres in the towns we passed through, and were thus able to get messages without a door-to-door canvass. The mothers and friends of soldiers collected in these places and I met many



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I would otherwise have missed. We spent less time in each town, but we were able to collect more messages.

It was early spring and we had entered the mallee country. Encircling sandhills split half-way over the road. The car faltered as the caravan wheels sank in the sand, the jerked forward as the tyres gripped hard metal.

We passed by flat paddocks frosted with sunray daisies. In damp places large purple pea flowers grew in clusters. We ate our meals separated by bowls of everlasting, and the flat, glittering leaves of the ice plant.

On one stretch of plain where the sunray daisies hid the earth in a sheet of white we alighted from the car and thrust our hands and faces into flowers. We bathed in them, rolling down a bank in a flower-happy madness. We tossed them into the air and they fell on us.

There were no Pipes of Pan in this Arcady, only skylarks, and they sang in a sky so bright we could not see them and their song had magic, because of this. Our eyes, nor any sense that we possessed, were not enough to gather all the beauty that was there.

To Be Continued

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PROGRAMME NEWS

GEORGE STEPHENSON

IN ENGLAND 100 years ago died the man who revolutionised world transport and whose career was a triumph of perseverance and self-confidence over adversity and prejudice.

George Stephenson was the second of the six children of a colliery fireman near Newcastle-on-Tyne. He had no schooling and did not learn to read until he was 18. He was fascinated by steam engines, and by the time he was 33 he had built his first locomotive. It was a great day for Stephenson when the world's first railway, between Darlington and Stockton, on which he had spent so much effort and ingenuity, was publicly opened in 1825. The first train carrying both passengers and goods attained 12 miles an hour.

Eastern listeners can hear 'Scenes in the Life of George Stephenson' on Tuesday at 11.30 p.m.

EAST AND WEST

ALBERT CHAFFOO, who conducts BBC Northern Orchestra in the General Overseas Service on Friday at 10.15 p.m. is the Officer Commanding the Royal Iraqi Military Band. In this position he has done a great deal to popularise Western music in the Middle East. His own musical education was gained in the West—in Great Britain—but most of his bandmen had no such advantage. Chaffoo had the difficult task of forming a military band from recruits who in most cases were not only unable to read music but could not read or write their own language. They were tribesmen, straight from an age-old nomadic way of life. However, Chaffoo persevered, managed to teach them to read music, and then organised them into a very competent military band.

TWO NEW SERIES

ANNE SHELTON, whose war-time broadcasts made her reputation, returns to the General Overseas Service this week in another radio series of 'Introducing Anne Again.' on Tuesday at 7.15 p.m.

THELMA REVNELL—the tall partner in the comedy team of Revnell and West (the Cockney Kids)—begins a new series of Variety programmes 'Down Our Street' in the General Overseas Service on Tuesday at 9.15 p.m.

B.B.C. Highlights

Sunday, October 31

EASTERN SERVICE.

P.M.

11.30 RADIO DRAMA—Clifford Evans, Fay Compton, and Bernard Miles in 'ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA'—Part 1 by William Shakespeare.

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

10.15 RING UP THE CURTAIN.—BBC Symphony Orchestra Conductor: Sir Adrian Boult. Parry Jones (tenor) Tom Williams (bass-baritone). Excerpts from Wagner's operas, including 'The Mastersingers'.

11.45 CHURCHES AT WORSHIP.—A series of ten talks. 1: 'A Parish Church in Essex,' by C. Henry Warren.

P.M.

12.15 VARIETY CALLS THE TUNE.—BBC Variety Orchestra, conductor, Rae Jenkins, with Desirée Ellinger.

1.30 BRITISH CONCERT HALL.—Royal Philharmonic Orchestra Conducted and presented by Sir Thomas Beecham.

Overture, 'The Corsair'..... Berlioz Suite, Amaryllis, Handel, arr. Beecham Symphony No. 73 in D (The Hunt) Haydn

3.15 TIME FOR WORSHIP—from the First Presbyterian Church, Armagh, conducted by the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Rt. Rev. Dr. A. W. Neill.

5.30 SUNDAY SERVICE—from the First Presbyterian Church, Armagh, conducted by the Rt. Rev. Dr. A. W. Neill.

9.15 'ITMA'.

9.45 LIFE IN BRITAIN.

10.15 MELODY TIME—Geraldo and his Concert Orchestra.

Monday, November 1

EASTERN SERVICE.

P.M.

11.30 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME—'Aerial Football—The New Game'. Short story by Bernard Shaw Read by Cyril Cusack.

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

1.30 GILBERT AND SULLIVAN.—The Story of a Great Partnership. A radio biography in six parts. Script and research by Leslie Baily. Part 5: 'The Summit of Success' (featuring 'The Mikado' and 'Ruddigore'). BBC Theatre Orchestra and Chorus.

4.15 FOCUS ON ITALY.—Narrated by Edward Ward. Written and produced by Marjorie Banks.

5.45 H.M. THE KING.—Inspects Units of the Territorial Army—in Hyde Park, and takes the Salute at the March Past. Commentator: Brian Johnston. (BBC recording).

6.00 CELEBRITY RECITAL—Thibaud (violin).

7.15 ORCHESTRAS OF THE WORLD.—Czech Philharmonic Orchestra (gramophone records).

9.15 MUSIC OF THE REGIMENTS.—Band of the Royal Norfolk Regiment Conductor: Mr. Daniel Harvey.

9.45 BRITISH INDUSTRY—covering the 33rd International Motor Exhibition at Earl's Court.

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.

11.15 Eric Barker in—"THE WATERLOGGED SPA".

Tuesday, November 2

EASTERN SERVICE.

P.M.

11.30 SCENES IN THE LIFE OF GEORGE STEPHENSON.—The Man who built 'The Rocket'. A programme

to commemorate the centenary of George Stephenson, written by D. F. Aitken.

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

10.15 LET'S MAKE MUSIC—featuring the Squadronaires Dance Orchestra, directed by Jimmy Miller.

P.M.

12.15 RING UP THE CURTAIN.—BBC Theatre Orchestra and Chorus Conductor: Walter Goehr. Carmen del Rio (mezzo-soprano). In more Rallies from the Operas.

1.30 VARIETY BANDBOX—with Frankie Howard, Claude Hulbert and Enid Trevor, 'Flotsam,' Ivy Benson, Roy Walker, and Charles Harrison.

6.00 BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA.—Conducted by Georges Enesco. Symphony No. 8..... Beethoven

6.30 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME—'Aerial Football—The New Game'—Short story by Bernard Shaw. Read by Cyril Cusack.

7.15 ANNE SHELTON in 'Introducing Anne Again'—with a smile and a song accompanied by the Augmented BBC Revue Orchestra conducted by Frank Cantell. Guest Pianist: Johnny Franz.

9.15 Ethel Revnell in—"DOWN OUR STREET"—The first of a series in which Ethel Revnell takes us to meet her friends and relations, not forgetting the Kid. Dance Orchestra conducted by Stanley Black.

9.45 BRITISH FARMER.—'The Dairy Show at Olympia', by Clyde Higgs.

10.15 LET'S MAKE MUSIC—featuring Lew Stone and his Orchestra, with Terry Devon and 'The Moonstones'.

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.

Wednesday, November 3

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

P.M.

12.45 STAR VARIETY.—Vera Lynn and Cliff Gordon.

6.00 FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME—KODALY—MISSA BREVIS—BBC Chorus with George Thalben-Ball (Australian organist), conducted by the composer and 'THE SEASONS' by James Thomson Selections made and read by Christopher Hassall.

7.00 REPORT FROM BRITAIN.

8.15 BANDS WITHIN BANDS—The Deantones from Syd Dean's Orchestra.

9.30 VARIETY CALLS THE TUNE—BBC Variety Orchestra, conductor, Rae Jenkins; with Olga Gwynne

Thursday, November 4

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

10.30 MUSIC FROM THE CHOIR BOYS' FESTIVAL, WESTMINSTER ABBEY.—with an introduction by William McKie, Organist and Master of the Choristers.

P.M.

2.00 STRADIVARI ORCHESTRA.

2.30 SPORTS BULLETIN.

3.15 MUSIC OF THE REGIMENTS.—Band of the Durham Light Infantry.

4.15 BBC NORTHERN ORCHESTRA.—Conductor: Charles Groves. Symphony No. 4 in A ('The Italian') Mendelssohn.

6.00 LET JUSTICE BE DONE.—The story of the administration of justice in British Courts—Evidence of System—'The Brides in the Bath'.

10.30 TIP-TOP TUNES.

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.

Friday, November 5

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

P.M.

1.30 LISTENERS CHOICE.

2.00 'ITMA'.

4.15 'MUCH - BINDING - IN - THE MARSH'.

5.00 COUNTRY MAGAZINE.

6.30 NEW RECORDS.—Presented by Robert Tredinnick.

7.15 BOOKS TO READ.

9.45 LOOKING AT BRITAIN.

10.15 BBC NORTHERN ORCHESTRA.—Conducted by Albert Chaffoo. Symphony No. 5 (From the New World) Dvorak.

Keep this page for use during the week.

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.

Saturday, November 6

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

11.15 'MUCH - BINDING - IN - THE MARSH'.

11.45 MAINLY FOR WOMEN.

P.M.

1.30 'THE WATERLOGGED SPA'

6.00 'GREAT EXPECTATIONS'—by Charles Dickens. Dramatised as a serial for broadcasting in 12 parts by Mabel Constanduros and Howard Agg. 1: 'The Fearful Man.' Music by Walter Goehr played by the Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by the composer.

7.00 WORLD AFFAIRS.

7.15 THE THEATRE IN LONDON.—A talk by W. MacQueen-Pope.

9.15 MONTMARTRE PLAYERS

9.30 'MUCH - BINDING - IN - THE MARSH'.

10.15 'PASTE'—A short story by Henry James. Adapted for broadcasting by Thea Holme.

12.00 SATURDAY SPORT.—including commentaries on Rugby League: Second Test Match—England v. Australia at Swinton, near Manchester: Commentator: Harry Sunderland; Association Football: Queen's Park Rangers v. West Bromwich Albion: Commentator: Raymond Glendenning.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE ANSWERS

1. A dwarfish whale, its body brief and wit its soul.
2. John Milton, in "Paradise Lost."
3. Francis Bacon.
4. King Henry VIII.
5. George Herbert.
6. Izaak Walton.
7. Benito Mussolini, in 1930.

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Talking about films.

Classroom Class War

By Fred Majdalany

A frequent figure in those school stories we read as children used to be the Scholarship Boy Who Made Good. First he would be teased because his elocution differed from that of the rest of the Lower Fourth.

But once he had owned up to a crime he hadn't committed, thrashed the school bully behind the tuck-shop, and scored the winning goal against Gallstones he was always chaired back to the pavilion and voted the most popular man in the school.

Warren Chetham Strode makes this traditional piece of folklore the rough basis of *The Guinea Pig* which examines the impact of public-school life on a boy from an East London council school.

To give the thing a grown-up flavour and the suggestion that a problem is being discussed, Mr. Strode vaguely links his story with recent Ministry of Education policies.

The boy from the East End is sent to the school as the guinea-pig of an "experiment": to see what happens when a Walthamstow chicken is set, as it were, among the foxes of Harrow.

This involves stretching more than one point. For one thing, it rather implies that scholarships are a daring new idea thought up by the Government the day before yesterday. For another, it makes it necessary for Mr. Strode greatly to overdraw the social clashes involved.

This is particularly the case with the character who devotes himself single-mindedly to the persecution of the East End boy. (I imagine that the housemasters of today are far more busily engaged in seeing that the sons of Black Market kings do not introduce too much heredity into the Common Room).

But if you forget about its pretensions to being a problem dish, *"The Guinea Pig"* is splendid entertainment. It is in turn humorous and touching, sometimes desperately touching. It is full of character, personality, atmosphere, and the smell of boy.

And it is very well acted by Richard Attenborough, as the guinea-pig, (his best performance to date), by Cecil Trouner, as the diehard master, by Robert Fleming, as the one master sympathetically disposed towards the boy, and by Bernard Miles as the boy's father.

Above all, John and Roy Boulting, who produced it, have packed the picture with shrewd detail that admirably brings the school to life: the horrific assemblies of parents on Speech Day, the patrified whoopee of the end-of-term dance, the Rugger school's withering scorn of Soccer, that terrible musical aberration — the school song — which casts a blight on every school function.

"Summer holiday," a euphemistic title if ever we saw one, is also about education. This time the seat of learning is one of those Metro-Goldwyn foundations where the pupils are all in love with each other and the curriculum is mostly conducted in rhymed couplets, music, and dance.

The alumnus with whom it is primarily concerned is Mickey Rooney.

Mr. Rooney leaves school in a blaze of glory which is immediately dimmed when he starts quoting from the revolutionary writings of George Bernard Shaw.

This dangerous Left-Wing tendency (which causes alarm and despondency throughout the town) delays his marriage to another adolescent for an hour and a half. Some of which I passed wondering how a witty director like Robert Mamoulian came to direct such a film. The rest of which I spent trying to guess the thoughts of Eugene O'Neill when he sees it and realises that it is based on his play "Ab Willmington".

There are so few genuinely funny films any more that whenever I see one I have an insane desire to send off wires to everyone I know telling them.

This is a bad thing to do, because you have only to praise a comedy a shade too hard for your friends to round on you afterwards and say that it wasn't as funny as all that.

All the same I haven't the slightest hesitation in calling "*On Our Merry Way*" one of the three best comedies of this year.

Burlesque is not uncommon on the screen, but witty burlesque is. This film is a kind of professional rag in which Burgess Meredith, James Stewart, Henry Fonda, Dorothy Lamour, Victor Moore, and Paulette Goddard appear to improvise a series of sketches that are in fact most carefully written.

Meredith is a roving reporter sent by a paper to ask people for stories of occasions when a baby influenced their lives.

Funnier than anything I have seen this year is the sketch in which Messrs. Stewart and Fonda appear as a pair of down-and-out dance musicians running a crooked music competition. They are run very close by Miss Lamour in a parody of her best-known screen self (the sarong one) which Beatrice Lillie might envy.

To avoid casting the same actors in the same types of roles, it is essential to have as wide a choice of talent as possible, so that film characters may be given the best possible interpretation by actors best fitted to take that part, instead of being merely cast because they have played similar parts quite well in the past. A character in a film is not a celluloid puppet, but an individual and must be presented to the public as such.

Casting, therefore, is a very important point for the success of a film and it is a point that has been fully realised by Britain's film makers. With large reserves of stars and featured players of the screen at their disposal, as well as talent from the theatres, large or small, throughout the country, Britain's film producers have an extremely large selection from which to find the ideal actor to fit a certain part.

Some actors like James Mason, Eric Portman, Michael Redgrave, Rex Harrison, Robert Donat, John Mills or David Niven, have already achieved world fame. Many of them divide their services between Hollywood and London. Others are climbing the ladder to stardom. Their names may not yet be familiar to audiences, in, say, Latin America or India, but if their growing popularity with United Kingdom filmgoers is anything to go by, it will not be long before they will be acclaimed wherever their films are shown.

Two such young actors have risen to fame in an extraordinarily short period. Hardly more than a year ago the names of Kieron Moore and John McCallum meant nothing to anybody. Twenty-three-year-old Kieron Moore, a tall, dark Irishman, first acted at the famous Dublin Abbey Theatre, and then came to England to act in one or two Irish plays. Seen by a Korda talent scout, he was signed up almost immediately for the leading male role of the Italian major-domo in "*A Man About the House*", the screen adaptation of Francis Brett Young's novel. His playing of the sinister Salvatore was so good, that he was given another leading role — that of a young war veteran, whose experiences have left his mind unbalanced — in "*Mine Own Executioner*". Totally different again was the part he

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played in the Korda production of Tolstoy's "*Anna Karenina*", in which he was Anna's lover, Vronsky. With these three parts Kieron Moore has worked his way to the top and is fast becoming one of Britain's most popular young stars. His next film for Korda will be "*I Bought a Mountain*".

John McCallum, a young Australian, was on his way to Hollywood, when he stopped in Britain to gain some experience in repertory and the Shakespearean stage. His first screen role was in Gainsborough's "*The Root of All Evil*", but he jumped to fame in Ealing's "*The Loves of Joanna Godden*", in which he played a farmer. His next part was that of an escaped convict in "*It Always Rains on Sunday*", and in "*Miranda*" he appeared as a painter.

AFRICAN VISION

By Graham Standford
Reviews 'A Book With The Spirit Of Rhodes'

Why not a United States of Africa? In Britain and Africa today small groups of far-sighted men dream of this as Cecil Rhodes once dreamed and planned a through road from Cairo to the Cape.

They regard it as the great new hope both for Britain and for Africa. They see it as the opening of a new era for the peoples both of this busy island and of that great Continent now emerging from the darkness into light.

Just what does it mean? How can the dream take practical shape?

These questions are answered today in "Tomorrow's Continent," by Lieutenant-Colonel Peter Penn and his wife, Lucie Street, one of the more objective books of the spate now being published on African questions.

In Four Stages

Colonel Penn has spent over 30 years in Africa and India, is Colonial adviser to the Economic League, and a member of the Executive Council of the Joint East African Board.

Here are the four stages of the new U.S.A. plan:

1. The British Colonies in East and West Africa would become the Dominion of East Africa and the Dominion of West Africa.

2. The formation of an East and West African Federation.

3. The unification of East, West, and South Africa into British United Africa.

4. British United Africa would unite with the remaining States or peoples of Africa to form the United States of Africa.

Like Mr. Churchill, the authors see Africa as "an Eldorado of productivity."

Cape-To-Cairo

They visualise a Cape-to-Cairo route as one vast system of air road, rail, and radiating out to ports and harbours for inter-coastal trade. They plan wide concrete, flood-proof roads crossing and recrossing the continent; great new airports and irrigation schemes that will bring about an African Argentina for cattle-raising.

How can it be done? According to the authors, it is not so hard as it sounds. The Dnieper electrified Russia. But tomorrow's Continent has greater rivers—the Nile, the Zambezi, Limpopo, Orange River, Victoria Falls. Hard-working Rhodesia could supply the thousands of miles of copper cable to carry the light all over the Continent.

This new U.S.A. would be studded with aerodromes, and new flying-boat services would utilise the Great Lakes.

Who can do this? Not the "time-servers" or "ex-Colonial administrators," but the best brains in British industry: the men who mass-produced the tanks and torpedoes; the back-room boys; the "Nuffield" of peace-time, the Alexander of war-time; the Churchill and Bevin and Keynes of all time.

The African Too

They are the type of men whose vision will equal that of Cecil Rhodes. They should be the builders of tomorrow's Continent. But with them

New Books

Cronin-And Water By Peter Quennell

When first I caught sight of a cliché—a fairly large and blatant specimen—in A. J. Cronin's new novel, I turned down the top right-hand corner of the page on which I found it.

I did the same for a second and third and fourth; till it occurred to me that I was spoiling the appearance of a book that would have cost a non-professional member of the reading public not less than 10s. 6d., and let the clichés buzz on unreproved like a swarm of summer houseflies...

They were almost as numerous and irritating. When the hero receives a critical letter, how does he tear it open?—Of course, "with trembling fingers."

When the heroine is about to succumb, her little heart, inevitably, must throb and flutter "like a frightened bird."

When she has fallen at last, and remorse and disillusionment have succeeded amorous ecstasy, her youthful face is white and piteous, her lips quiver, and it is with "the look of a wounded bird" that she bids her traitorous lover goodbye and creeps away to catch her train.

But let us give the story its due. If what you appreciate in a novel or film is its close and comforting resemblance to a hundred-and-one other novels and films that you have read and sat through, this tale of a keen young doctor who has a passion for scientific research but is hampered by his poverty, and falls in love with a nice girl, who for some time refuses to marry him because he is a Catholic and she herself an ardent Nonconformist, will provide pleasant and inoffensive, if unadventurous, reading.

For "Shannon's Way" includes most of the ingredients we have learned to expect in modern novels about doctors—sketches of hospital life; glimpses of nurses, good and bad and middling; love at the laboratory bench; and the usual emergency operation, here a tracheotomy, but on this occasion not performed with a sterilised penknife, by the light of a single oil-lamp, while the storm is howling outside.

In fact, "Shannon's Way" is Cronin-and-water, and personally I doubt whether the literary quality of A. J. Cronin's previous books is sufficiently rich and concentrated to allow of much dilution. The present mixture is decidedly thin. A return to pre-war strength is the least that we can ask for....

By comparison Alan Moorehead pours a fierce and heady beverage. He observes intelligently, writes carefully, and injects into his narrative the alcohol of genuine feeling.

must work the African, for the new U.S.A. can only be built on a basis of true partnership.

And now for the bill. The Government are raising £100,000,000 for Colonial development, but there should be a United States of Africa Savings Loan raised just like the present War Savings Loan. In one generation, the authors contend, it would yield ten times the interest of the War Savings Loan. Through every line of this book runs the spirit of Rhodes.

* "Tomorrow's Continent," by Lieutenant-Colonel Peter Penn and Lucie Street (Sidgwick and Jackson, Ltd., 9s.)

CRADLE OF LIBERTY

You would not think, if you attended one of our parish council meetings—four a year—that here in the whitewashed, raftered schoolroom are gathered the heirs to a considerable tradition.

Leaning on or away from the trestle table placed for them in the middle of the room, our five parish councillors—three farmers, a blacksmith, and a retired Civil Servant—look as if they are there to play out an unnecessary charade in obedience to some long-forgotten statute.

Yet parish councils are the posterity of the earliest form of government in the life of this country. Long before the vote became every man's right the parishes of England were governing themselves. Parliament has the parish council at the very root of its pedigree.

It is something to be proud of surely, that you are a member of one of the nation's most ancient experiments in democracy and, as such, the custodian of a spirit that has helped to shape our destiny as a people. The parish meeting was, in fact, the cradle of our liberties.

The Minutes

True, the minutes of the last meeting, as read out by the clerk to the council, the retired Civil Servant, are enthralling to hear.

Incidentally, to read his own handwriting he has to hold the tattered exercise book, in which the minutes are kept, at arm's length.

He recites that Mrs. Playford had written to complain again about the smell from the stream at the bottom of the village. He states that notice was also taken at the meeting of Mr. Hersey's complaint that the pollution of the said stream is driving the moths away.

As a meeting with business to do it is an untidy affair. Subjects sprawl all over the place.

You are forced to the conclusion, sitting there, that the parish council, as an institution is not doing its job very well, and that it is not being taken as seriously as it should be. Why, you wonder, is this?

In the past it had powers that the larger units of local government, the rural district councils and the county councils, have today. It had highway maintenance responsibilities. It administered the Poor Law. It had a great deal to do with the public welfare.

—And The Powers

What powers has it now? You ask the clerk after the meeting, and though he glances intimidatingly at his wrist-watch he tells you that they are still mainly concerned with the well-being of the village community.

Your parish council can build or acquire a village hall. It can provide playing fields. It has the disposition and management of allotments. It can supply a certain amount of street lighting. It can appoint school managers and administer charities.

It does not sound very imposing. A good many parish councillors do not know that they have even those powers, such as they are.

A new development in parish council history that may not only save it but reinvigorate it is the Parish Councils' Association, formed a year or so ago under the wing of the National Council of Social Service. This is quite a step.

There are about 7,000 parish councils and, wrought into a fighting front, with their great resources of obstinacy, they may very well help in the restoration of ancient rights and some of the liberties we have mislaid.

REGINALD POUND.

QUIZ ANSWERS

1. In ten years.
2. Bishop of Amoy.
3. The Press and the Referees.
4. Seaham, for many years represented by Ramsay MacDonald, and the newly created division of Easington.
5. \$79,206,880.
6. General Carlos P. Romulo, of the Philippines.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1948.

A Potential World Market Lies

China's currency until the change of the gold yuan, was worth less than the depreciated German mark after the First World War. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek holds the remnants of the Chinese Empire, watching it eaten away little by little by Communists, or else abandoning large tracts which are rapidly becoming desert because the population has fled.

Millions of Chinese face starvation because of this unending war between Nationalist China under Chiang Kai-shek and the Red forces which have over-run the greater part of Manchuria.

Strategically China is vital to Russia, and she is supporting the Chinese Communists against the dollar-fed regime of Chiang Kai-shek.

In Manchuria, rich in metals, coal and food, the Communists are uneasy masters. Their rule has made the country a desert.

Farms Abandoned

Farms are abandoned and, trying to follow Russian Communism, the Chinese have parcelled out the land to the inhabitants, giving each of them a holding of an acre irrespective of their qualifications or ability to gain a living from the land.

In Red Manchuria two-thirds of the population live on chaff (grain husks), while the poorest live on the big round slabs of soya bean refuse from which all nutriment has been extracted. To eat it for food means ultimate blindness.

Yet, even in times of natural catastrophes, this region, the richest in East Asia, is losing the battle against starvation.

The Communists have purged what there was of educated people, and "People's Courts" go round the villages sentencing the village headmen to imprisonment or death because they have a little money.

Flying between Peiping and Mukden the land shows the true state of affairs. Only outside the villages is there any green to be seen. Elsewhere this rich land is lying fallow.

The Communists, by their ruthlessness and ignorance, are now finding that they, too, suffer from lack of food, and thousands have deserted to the Nationalist cause, where they can get better conditions.

While they leave chaos and destruction behind them, the Communists, although making steady inroads into China, have not been able to advance so quickly as they should have done considering there is little organised opposition to them.

They can only advance at a speed which enables them to bring up food supplies. They have few modern weapons and little transport other than horse-drawn heavy carts.

In Chaos

By Leslie C. Smith
Special Correspondent In Peiping

War torn indeed, but with 400,000,000 people could, if organised on a peace basis, keep the factories of Western Europe busy for fifty years.

The present cotton output of the world would be insufficient to clothe China; the steel output of the world would not be sufficient to build up her railways, bridges, harbours and factories; the world leather output could not provide enough boots and shoes for this vast population, yet this gigantic potential market lies in a state of unparalleled chaos.

Recently I visited a small town in Hopei Province, North China, where conditions were very much like those in mediaeval Europe.

Town Defence

Each little town, under its own local leader or magistrate, was defended against the raids of Communists. Night after night small parties of Reds would attack these isolated little places and were usually driven off by the inhabitants.

No longer does a War Lord hold tyrannical sway over large areas. Each town has to hold its own and keep a vigilant watch for approaching enemies.

The little town I stayed in is only 1,000 years old—young by Chinese standards—but it can hold out against an attacking force of 5,000 men. Bounded by a solid high battlemented wall the old embrasures for archers have been changed for the use of riflemen and machine-guns.

Under the energetic command of the magistrate, a small man, but with a dominant personality, the town defences are kept in good order.

Schoolboys help in building the defences and in the fighting. Beyond the walls was a six-foot high palisade of sharpened stakes, and beyond that again isolated defence posts were held by the militia.

Young farmers and the able-bodied among the townsfolk made up this little self-contained force, which so far has beaten off all attacks without assistance from the Government forces.

The few meagre shops had little to offer besides vegetables. Only one shop had a tiny stock of meat.

The conditions under which the inhabitants group themselves into a defence force, working on the land during the day, with their rifles by their

by the Communists. Little wonder that they cannot make progress and live in peace.

Meanwhile the unending war rages on, leaving a trail of desolation and death behind and turning the fruitful fields into a wilderness.

In the big towns conditions are little better, the population living from day to day.

Supplies from the United States help to make life a little better, but the vastness of China, and its utter disorganisation, prevents these supplies from getting out of the towns.

The only way China will get relief will be from a strong Government capable of taking the field with well-armed well-disciplined troops who could sweep the Communists back from Manchuria.

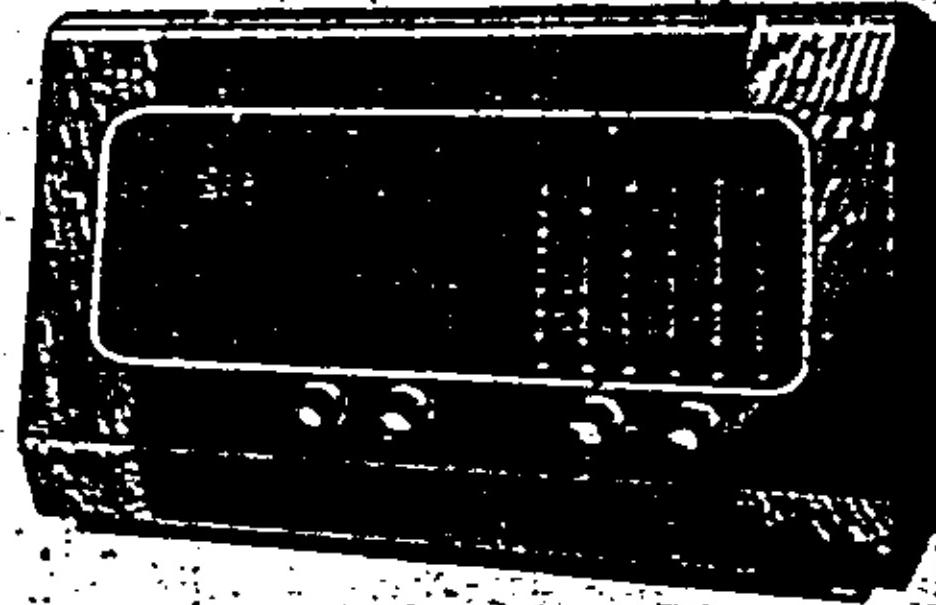
Unhappily there is not a remote chance of this happening.

Alternatively, if the Communists could be contained and responsible Government extended to that part of China held by the Nationalists, then there would be some hope of rebuilding the life of the country to a state where it could export its raw materials in return for Western goods.

At present this vast population is living in a darkened world, cut off from the most elementary standards of Western life.

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Lane Norcott

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The news in headlines
(classified for the puzzled foreigner)

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MURDER"

Death of an Airborne Test

"INQUEST ON B.B.C. JOKE"

Plan

Our Plan for encouraging dustmen to collect more waste paper to be repurposed to make larger posters to appeal to miners to produce more coal is simply itself.

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1 pair of ladies' Silk Stockings.
1 soft cloth Cap with Badges.

1 hand-tinted Message reading: "The Eyes of the World are on Dustmen. Don't Let Britain Down!"

We frankly admit that our Plan may and probably will encourage other workers to demand similar favours. Still, we have already prepared a fine Secondary Plan for dealing with such an eventuality.

If the workers are numerous and well organised then, naturally, we shall compromise with them and grant their very modest requests.

If, on the other hand, they are a mere leaderless rabble of black-coated employees, then we shall flatly refuse to discuss their unpatriotic demands and, possibly even disenfranchise the trouble makers.

We simply will not tolerate mob rule.

PASSING THOUGHT AT BREAKFAST: RATHER GLOOMY

In the midst of life we are in debt.

Death takes a holiday

"The Arctic is too cold for modern warfare"—Expert opinion.

Oh, come, come. Never say die.

Is there no hope that in the near future Science may be able to heat it artificially with atomic energy?

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1948.

Over to You.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

- What is an epigram? At least how does Samuel Taylor Coleridge define it?
- "Revenge, at first though sweet, bitter ere long back on itself recoils." The author was?
- Who wrote the following: Histories make men wise, poets witty; the mathematics, subtle; natural philosophy, deep; Moral, grave; logic and rhetoric, able to contend.
- In what Shakespeare play does the following appear: Men's evil manners live in brass; their virtues We write in water.
- For want of a nail the shoe is lost; for want of a shoe the horse is lost; for want of a horse the rider is lost. Who was responsible for this course in logic?
- No man can lose what he never had, according to Izaak—?
- "We have buried the putrid corpse of liberty." Which dictator boasted thus?

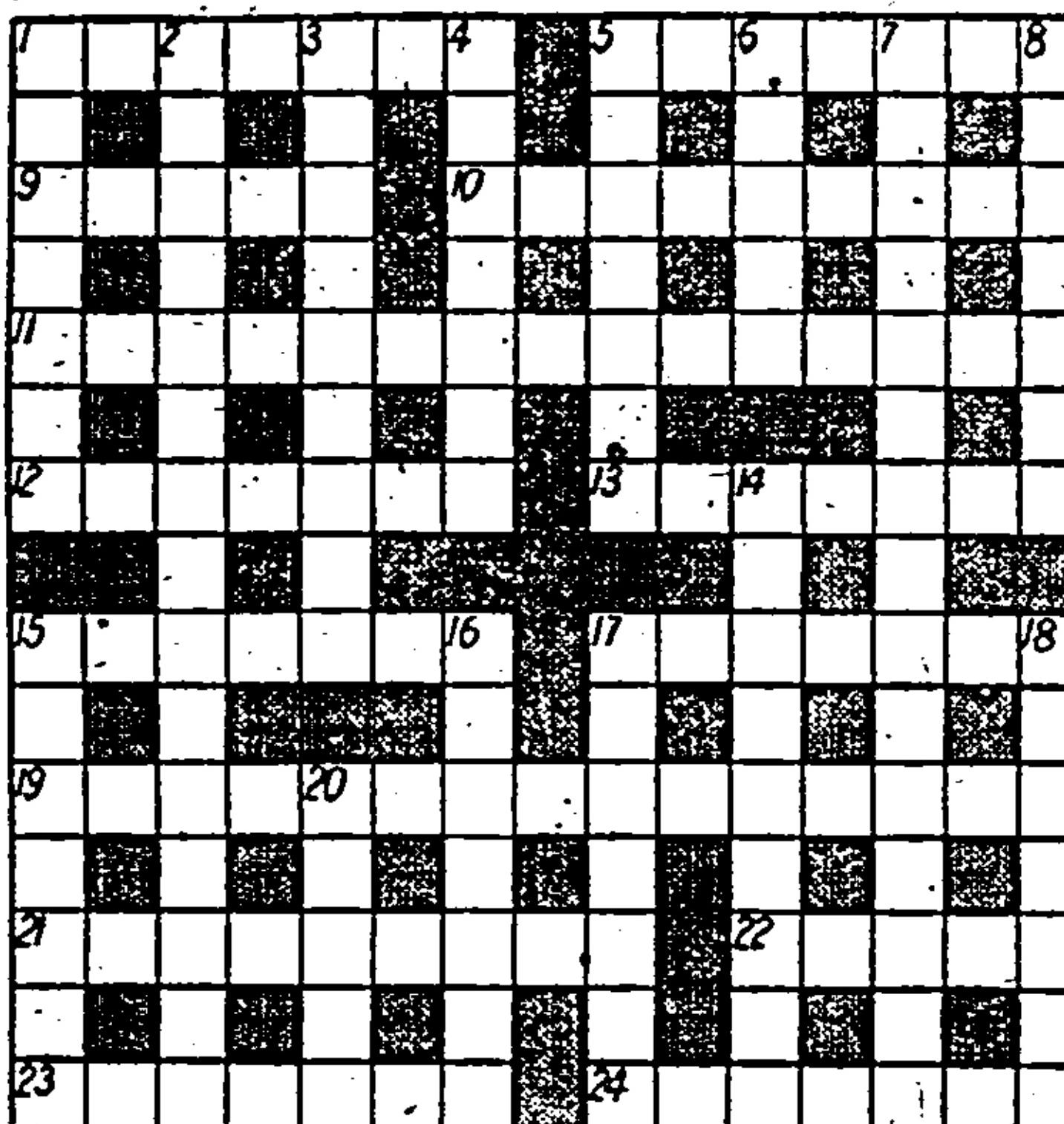
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NEWS QUIZ

- When the King opened Parliament on Tuesday he wore his Crown during the ceremony for the first time in how many years?
- The Most Rev. John B. Diaz Velasco was consecrated Bishop at the Catholic Cathedral on Sunday last. Of what China port is he the Bishop?
- Two groups of desperadoes were refused permission to play football by the Police. Who were these dangerous fellows?
- Emanuel Shinwell will have a new division to fight when the next election takes place. What are the names of his old constituency and the new?
- The rateable value of the Colony has been newly assessed at a point 52 per cent higher than ever before. The revaluation figure is?
- The Colonial Powers came under fire at a meeting of the United Nations Trusteeship Committee. Who was the principal critic?

(Answers on Page 11)

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ACROSS

- Does the pig then take his food in his bath? (7)
- So, niece, this is the botanist's idea of groundsel. (7)
- "The voice so sweet, the words so fair. As sothe soft — had stroked' the air" (Ben Jonson). (5)
- Youth is full of it, according to Shakespeare. (9)
- Do they chalk it up according to your cue? (6, 7)
- Less ornamental & more dangerous in the water than its golden relative. (7, 4)
- Competent rodent. (7)
- Dyspeptics could not, of course, produce these efficiently. (7)
- Provides the only possibility for an aircraft to flap its wings. (7)
- He gets a liberal education, and maybe a State one now. (6, 6, 3)
- Mum let one for profit. (9)
- Con it sympathetically. (5)
- These were not a sect of Krupp's workers. (7)
- So-so. Sm, like pine-apple, for example. (7)

DOWN

- Qualified mount for old-time gunner. (7)
- His pictures in St. Paul's are just wooden. (6, 7)
- As if tripe would give people an appetite! (9)
- How much pitch to make the vessel A1. (7)
- She does not sail the seas. (7)
- It gives one a head-on blow. (5)
- Those blinding ringers! (10, 5)
- The onlooker does, of course, at the cricket match. (7)
- Precedence according to height! (4, 3)
- Exhaust—by removing the fold. (7)
- Macbeth encountered some weird ones. (7)
- Bill loathes a faithful friend. (7)
- One day's executions in revolutionary France. (7)
- What the Australians will no doubt again do with the Ashes. (5)

SOLUTION TO No. 79

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The opening bid has been more completely standardised than any other, yet this does not prevent expert partnerships from breaking away from standards with successful results on many hands. They shade this bid when they can, in their rebid, steer the further bidding out of danger.

It is different with a moderate partnership. There should be no shading here, because the weaker the partner the more likely he is to take control of the bidding. A shaded opening bid can do no harm when followed by a safe rebid made by an expert partnership, but it can do much harm when a weak partner takes control on a misfit.

The tendency among good players with good partners is to avoid passing on hands with a minimum opening bid. When third-hand or even fourth-hand (after three passes), bidders use their discretion in opening on shaded values. In match-pointed competitions, where part-score hands can be a decisive factor, few hands are passed out.

From another angle, that of defence, a shaded opening bid can have great value. It has a deterring effect on opponents because it implies a certain standard of strength and because of its psychological effect as an attacking bid. In a recent competition, after a shaded opening bid by East the further bidding on these hands proceeded:

SOUTH

S K J x
H 10 x
D A K Q x x
C x x x

NORTH

S A 10, x x
H A J x x x
D 9 x x
C x

South: One Diamond. North: One Heart. South: Two Diamonds, and all passed.

Twelve tricks were made after the opening lead of the King of Clubs. The shaded opening bid had achieved its object. West held Spades, Q, x, x, and the Queen-over-Jack finesse succeeded and enabled South's losing Heart to be thrown on North's long Spade.

The shaded opening bid is more frequently used in a psychic way in rubber bridge than in duplicate. When risking its use with a weak partner it is well to remember that solidity in the suit bid is more important than extra length by one card.

More! More! This coffee tastes swell!



NESCAFE

OF COURSE!

FIRST SHOT FIRED IN STEEL BATTLE 107 Companies Affected

About 300,000 iron and steel workers will become State servants under the Government's highly controversial bill for nationalisation of the industry, which was published today.

They comprise three-fifths of the working strength of the entire industry, which employs 495,000 people. About £300,000,000 of invested capital in Britain's third largest industry will be brought within the scope of State control. As the terms of the bill became known in the lobbies of Parliament this afternoon the Conservative Opposition, led by Mr. Winston Churchill, prepared to fight it tooth and nail, and the Labour Government is faced with what is likely to be its biggest battle since taking power in 1945.

Political observers had no doubt that the bill would be passed by the huge Labour majority in the Commons; but the process will be completed only shortly before the dissolution of Parliament in 1950. It will thus become a major general election issue, with the Conservatives bent on putting it into reverse if they are returned to power.

The side issue in the battle is the controversy over the Government's plan to centralise the declining powers of the Lords, which will oppose the Steel Bill from two years to one. The Conservatives allege that this is being done merely to enable the Steel Bill to be passed in the lifetime of this Parliament; the Government denies it.

The 120-page bill proposes to set up a public authority called the Iron and Steel Corporation of Great Britain, which will become the sole shareholder of all major firms in the industry, and will have been given powers over the smaller. This authority will have a Chairman and from four to ten other members, all of whom will receive salaries. Members of Parliament are banned.

Separate Units

There is one big difference in the deal from the nationalisation formula applied already to other industries: coal, transport, electricity, civil aviation. The bill decree, that the firms taken over by the State are to remain as separate units, retaining their names and traditions.

The old managements will continue to be responsible. The only interference they will have from the Corporation is that they will be asked to carry out such overall planning and rationalisation as is considered desirable in the national interest.

But the Corporation can appoint new directors to strengthen a particular board. And it can ask for the resignation of any director "who do not appear to be pulling their weight."

The Corporation itself will not run any works, though under the bill it will have the power to do so if it wishes. This proviso is included in case difficulties arise in some works, which make it advisable for the Corporation to take charge temporarily. In general, however, it will devote itself to overall planning.

Compensation

Shareholders of the 107 companies to be taken over will be compensated by the issue of "British iron and steel stock," equal in the opinion of the Treasury— to the value of the steel shares on the general date of transfer. The market value of the Government securities on that date will be taken into consideration.

The companies to be nationalised are those which produce 50,000 tons or more, of iron ore annually, and those producing more than 20,000 tons of pig iron, ingot steel, or hot rolled products. Among them are such famous steel names as Dorman Long and Company, Quest Keen Baldwin, Thomas and Baldwin Limited, United Steel Companies, Lancashire Steel Corporation, Hudfields Limited, William Beardmore and Company, Thomas Firth and John Brown Limited.

Sydney Campbell, Reuters Financial Editor, writes: The closely guarded secret of the basis of compensation for the nationalised iron and steel securities proved an unpleasant surprise for the London Stock Exchange today.

It turned out to be the average stock exchange prices from the first to the twenty-fifth of this month, or the average of the six months before the general election in 1945, whichever average is the

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Stalin's Statements Denied

London, October 29. The Foreign Office spokesman today formally denied the two statements made yesterday by Generalissimo Stalin in an interview he gave to the Soviet Communist Party newspaper Pravda.

Though it is not the practice of the Foreign Office to comment on pronouncements by the heads of foreign governments, the two inaccuracies in Mr. Stalin's statement called for a denial, the spokesman said.

First the spokesman denied that binding agreement was contained in the four-power directive on August 30 to the Military Governors in Berlin. He said that the decisions foreseen in the directive relating to the lifting of the Berlin blockade and the circulation of the Soviet mark throughout Berlin under four-power supervision were "subject to agreement being reached" on technical details by the Military Governors.

Such agreement had, in fact, never been reached, he added.

Secondly, he denied that the four powers had ever reached agreement during the recent Security Council debate on the Berlin blockade.

The Western Powers had agreed among themselves, but at no stage did they reach agreement with the Soviet delegation, the spokesman asserted.

He added that Mr. Stalin's condemnation of the Security Council's "Six Neutral Powers" aggressors had surprised the British Government in view of the six powers' untiring efforts to secure a compromise under the leadership of Dr. Juan Bramuglia, the Argentine Foreign Minister.

—Reuter.

Socialists On Top

New Delhi, October 30.

The French Embassy said yesterday that pro-French Socialists won victories in municipal elections on Sunday in three French cities of Southern India.

The Embassy said complete official results showed the Socialists captured all 102 seats of the Municipal Assembly in Pondicherry, the capital of French India. In Karaikal, the Socialists took 64 seats to 10 for the All-India Congress Party, which advocated the joining of the French soil to the Dominion of India. In Yanam, one Socialist faction won nine seats and another, three.

In Mahe, another town of French India, municipal elections are still to be held, since Indians voting against French rule temporarily seized control last weekend. The French announced on Thursday they had re-established their authority.

The municipal assembly will at a date later for a plebiscite on the future of French India.—Associated Press.

Stalin Dominates The Front Pages In Russia

Moscow, October 29.

The Communist Party newspaper, Pravda, today joined Premier Stalin's denunciation of the West with an editorial charging that "international reaction . . . is cherishing criminal plans for precipitating a new world war."

All newspaper front pages were dominated by Premier Stalin's statement in answer to a written Pravda interview, but there was no leading editorial bearing directly on the Premier's words.

Instead, the papers devoted the editorial space to comments on the 50th anniversary of the foundation of the Communist Youth Organisation.

The Pravda editorial said: "The young generation actively participates in the whole people's struggle for Communism. But while engaged in socialist construction our youth, like all people, do not forget for one minute the deeds of international reaction which is cherishing criminal plans for precipitating a new world war."

The editorial said remembering this the Soviet Union would spare no efforts in its labour and economic advancement, and added that the Soviet Union was working for the maintenance of peace.

Inspiration

Commenting on Premier Stalin's interview concerning the horrors of war, Pravda said: "These words of Comrade Stalin will inspire Soviet youth, like the entire Soviet people and democratic forces of the world, for a more energetic and decisive struggle for a firm peace of the people's democracy."

Pravda, Izvestia and other papers also published a three-column letter to Premier Stalin discussed and adopted by organisations representing over 33,000,000 members.

The letter said: "In these days of creative labour of the Soviet people, imperialists of America and England resort to fascism. The plain people of these countries see the reactionaries campaign to kindle a new world war by brandishing a deleterious sword for world mastery."

He said at the moment no resistance was being shown and the lack to work tendency was growing.

A spokesman of the Ministry of the Interior said tonight that the Government now holds 76 per cent of all pitsheads in France. All pits in the Loire Basin are in police hands. Troops were unloading coal today at La Palice, Dieppe and Cherbourg. No coal was unloaded at any other French port.

Attempts to halt the movement of coal trains brought no results and all trains are running to schedule.

The Ministry of Public Works and Transport tonight announced the suspension of two National Railway directors "on account of the incompatibility between the exercise of their functions and an appeal issued to the railway workers aimed at preventing the functioning of the railways."

FRENCH STRIKE HALTS PASSENGER TRAINS

Paris, October 29. The Ministry of Public Works tonight directed the French railway authorities to cancel a considerable number of passenger trains from next Wednesday until further notice, it was announced by the Railway Administration.

A Transport Ministry spokesman said that 28 out of 34 coal ships in French ports were held up because of the dockers' refusal to handle imported coal.

A cold spell, with a sharp Northeast wind, tonight caught many Parisians without central heating in their apartments because of the 27-day old miners' strike.

The temperature at 6.00 p.m. GMT was seven degrees Centigrade. It is expected that the minimum to be registered during the night would be zero. The Meteorological Office predicted a cold weather spell until next Monday.

Technicians of the French broadcasting network went on strike for two hours at 7.00 GMT tonight. A spokesman for the technicians said: "We have gone

Burmese Offer £700 Reward

Rangoon, October 30.

The Burmese Government on Friday announced a reward of approximately £700 sterling for anyone giving information leading to the arrest and conviction of the assassins of the former Foreign Minister, Brigadier Tin Tut.

The order stands until January 31, 1949. Brigadier Tin Tut was assassinated on September 18.—Associated Press.

on strike because our demands which were made in June have not been satisfied."

The French National Radio network went off the air when the strike began. The radio resumed transmission shortly before 8.00 p.m. GMT but only recorded music was played.

Radio Headquarters in Paris were inundated with telephone inquiries as to the cause of the break.

Last Pit Taken

In the Loire region, engineers took possession today of the last pit occupied by strikers. Engineers who descended into the important Courtoit pit at St. Etienne after it was cleared earlier today found that damage was less than had been expected.

M. Paul Roinadier, the Minister of Defence, said today that he and such hopes of an improved situation beginning next week in the strike-bound coalfields that the return of troops to their garrisons within a short time could be already foreseen.

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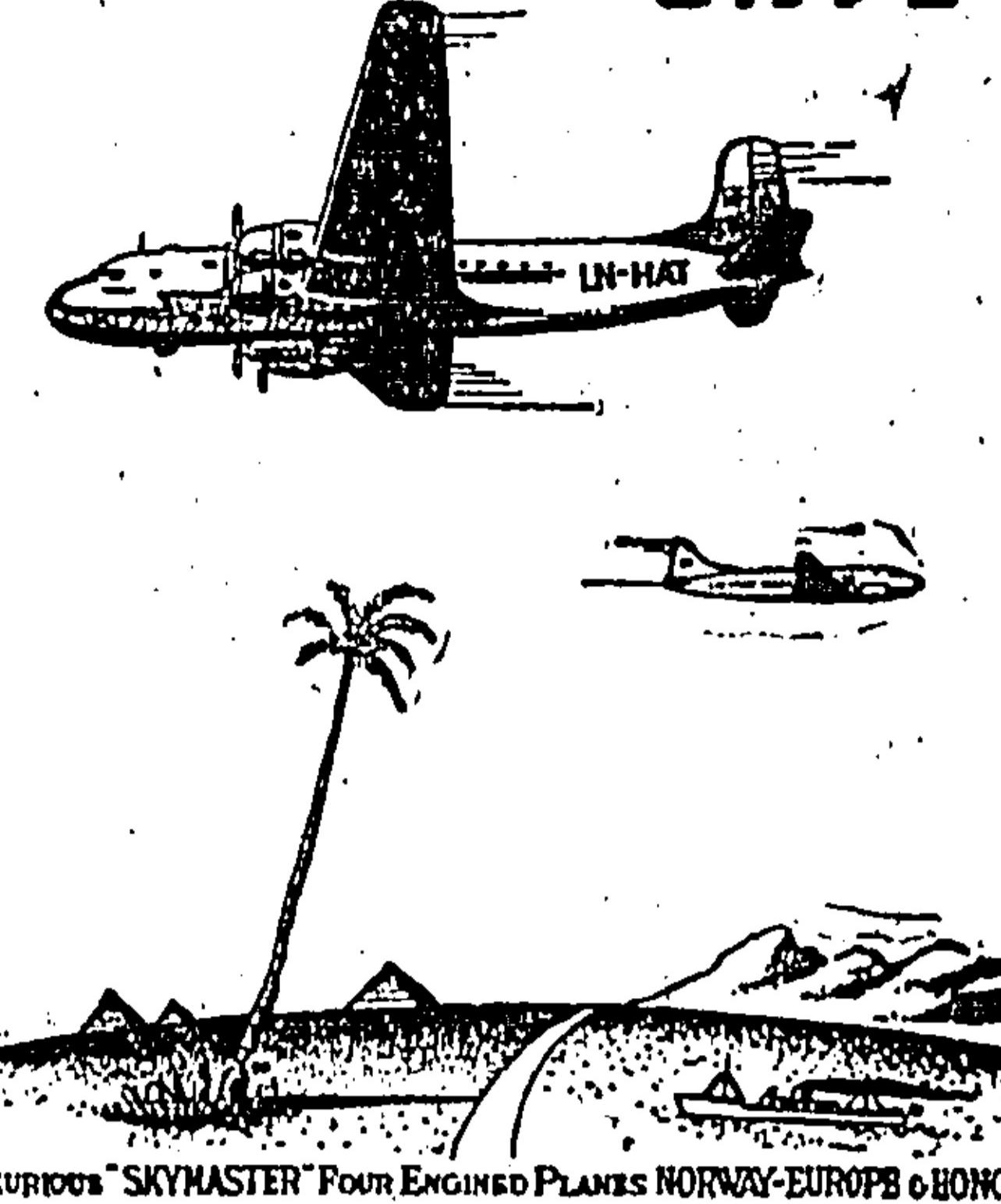
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Return To Work

The non-Communist labour force Ouvrière informed the French Premier, M. Henri

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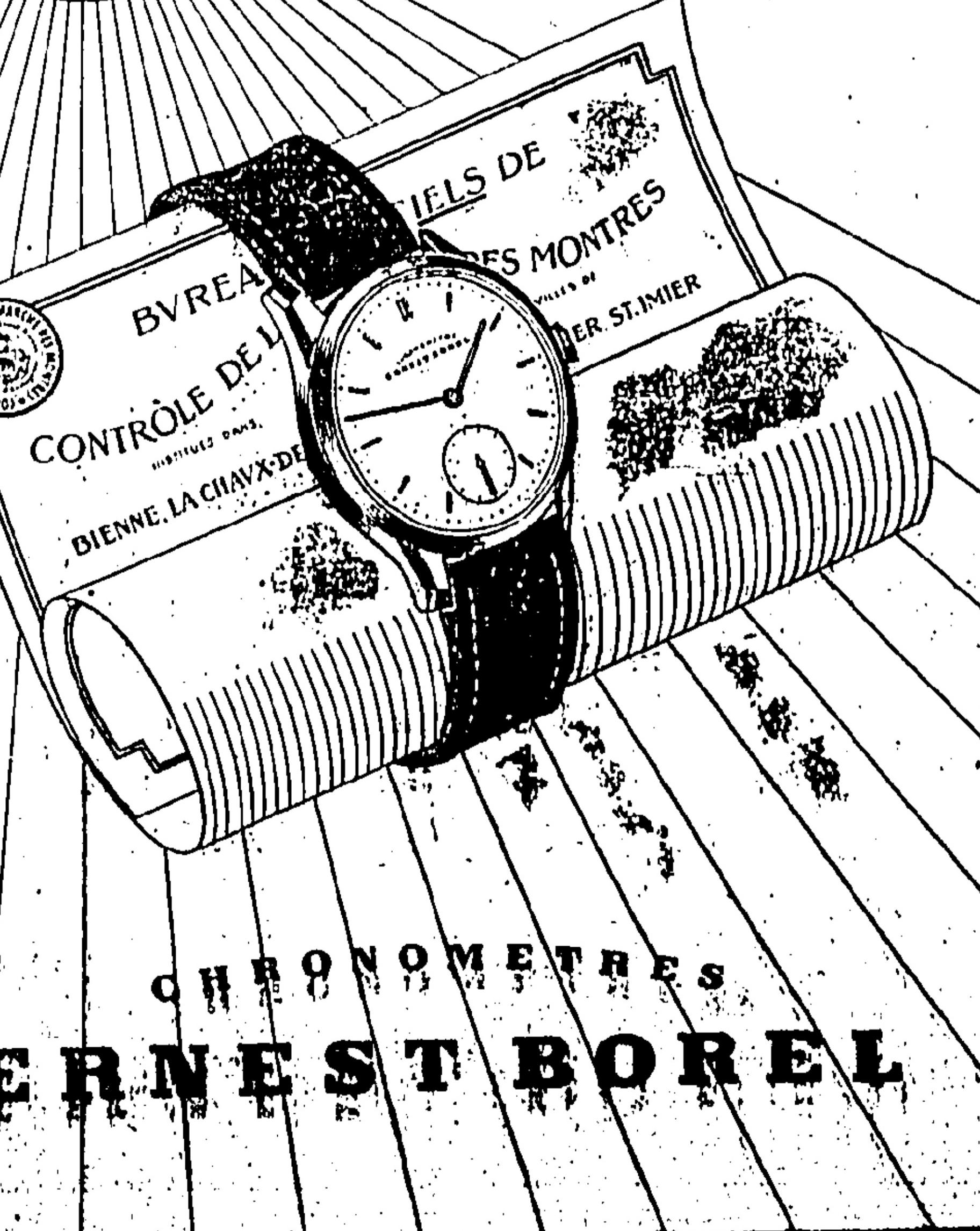
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THREE MUSKETEERS OF MINING FALL OUT

By ROLAND HURMAN

The Three Musketeers of the miners have come to the parting of the ways. The Lawther-Horner cross-Channel cross-talk act has finally split a triumvirate which was a model of skilled trade union leadership.

This is the background personally story behind the front-page rift in the National Union of Mineworkers on the Communist issue precipitated when the passenger list of a London-Paris aircraft included the name of Mr. Arthur Horner.

It is the story of three men who, whatever their politics, have given their lives to drafting a New Deal for Britain's 700,000 miners. They were three men in a boat, happy comrades at work and at play.

There are the three men: WILLIAM LAWERTH, 59-year-old president of the N.U.M., this year's chairman of the Trades Union Congress, former Durham county councillor and Labour M.P. for Barnard Castle; big, burly, and bulging with bonhomie.

JAMES BOWMAN, 50-year-old deputy to Mr. Lawther on the N.U.M., T.U.C. general councillor, member of the Press Royal Commission; sturdy and outwardly staid, with a beaming twinkle in the eyes, one of Britain's clear-cut-thinking and most level-headed trade union chiefs.

ARTHUR HORNER, the miners' 54-year-old Welsh Communist secretary, one-time Baptist lay preacher in his native valleys, once sparring partner with Jimmy Wilde, ex-soldier of the Irish Republican Army; with the oratory of a K.C. and the organising ability of a general.

It is Mr. Horner who has rocked the boat. His fervent Paris declarations of support for the striking French miners and his angry replies to Mr. Lawther's forthright criticisms of his conduct have made this the burning question of the hour.

"Where do the Communist trade union leaders stand—

Huk Chief Wed To Secretary

Manila, October 30.
The Manila Times correspondent in San Fernando, Pampanga, reported today that Leonila Diaz, pretty young secretary of the Hukbahan chief Luis Taruc, confessed to Constabulary investigators that she was the wife of Taruc. The girl was arrested recently.

She said the marriage was performed with Huk ceremonial rites.

The report said Miss Diaz told investigators she had not heard from Taruc since the Constabulary operations in the Cagdang swamp several weeks ago.

Taruc's first wife died shortly after the war.—United Press.

At Margate last month Mr. Horner was nominated for the T.U.C. General Council. He failed. Mr. Lawther topped the poll, Mr. Bowman was right behind him with over 7,000,000 votes.

Then the rumour went round that the little Welshman had received new instructions, and in future would have to toe the Party Line, that the compromise period of alliance with the orthodox Socialists among the miners was over.

A week later the British Communist Party opened its new all-out offensive against the Government. Mr. Horner went to Czechoslovakia to mingle with the leaders of the New Democracy.

He came back to accept appointment as one of the six miners' representatives on Mr. Gaitskell's new Coal Action Council and then caught the plane for Paris 38 hours before the first meeting was due to start.

The Big Row

That began the Lawther-Horner slanging match. Excerpts from the latest dialogue:

Hornet: "There will be some sharp talking when I get back."

Mr. Lawther's statement:

"But if Mr. Costello hoped for that, he will be disappointed.

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the Big Row

Why has he done it? He is, after all, the leader of Fine Gael, which has always been regarded as the pro-British party. One theory is that it is a move to force the end of partition and to bring Northern and Southern Ireland together in a United Ireland.

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MAJOR BATTLES SAID RAGING IN MANCHURIA

JAPANESE TO ATTEND I.F.A.O. MEETING

Washington, October 30. The Japanese government will be invited to send observers to a meeting of the International Food and Agricultural Organisation in Washington beginning on November 15.

This was learned exclusively from a diplomatic source as preparations went ahead for the 5th nation conference on the world's food production and nutrition problems.

Japanese observers will be invited to attend along with representatives of the American occupation forces in Japan.

The Japanese at the conference presumably will be provided with information on the operation and aims of the United Nations Food and Agricultural Agency for their guidance in deciding whether Japan wishes to join the organisation after the peace treaty is signed.

A similar invitation has been sent to Germany and Korea already been invited, the source said.

One of the big topics of the meeting will be consideration of a site for the organisation's first Far East office. Suggestions already made include Mayaro or Rangoon in Burma, Shanghai or Nanking in China, Outram in India, Karachi in Pakistan, Bangkok or Manila in the Philippines, Bangkok and Singapore—Associated Press.

Festival Will Tell Britain's Story To The World

London, October 30.

Plans were announced today for a Festival of Britain, to be held in 1951. Aim of the Festival, which will celebrate the Great Exhibition of 1851, is to tell the story of Britain to the world.

The transformation of London into a festival city with elaborate flood lighting, fountains and fireworks, a central exhibition on the Thames South bank, special architectural show, a travelling exhibition for the provinces, and an eight week celebration of music, ballet and films, are among the plans.

The Festival, throughout the length and breadth of England, Scotland and Wales, in the cities and in the provinces, will tell the story of British life, of British people at work and play, of British discovery, invention and design.

Gerald Barry, Festival director general, said: "This festival will present a coherent and imaginative picture of British achieve-

Defence Tour By Monty

London, October 30. Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, chairman of the Western Union Commanders-in-Chief, will visit Defence Ministers and Army heads in France and the Low Countries next month.

After a short tour in the British zone of Germany, Viscount Montgomery will be in the Netherlands from November 9 to November 11, Belgium from November 12 to 14, Luxembourg from November 20 to 21 and France from November 22 to 24.

The announcement from the Brussels Treaty Permanent Commission in London said the trip would be purely routine.—Associated Press.

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Making Some Pocket Money

Canton, October 30. A big depot for the forging of gold yuan notes was uncovered when the local police made a sudden swoop on certain premises here, according to a local report.

Over CY250,000 worth of forged Gold Yuan notes were discovered on the premises as well as a quantity of various Customs Gold Unit notes.

More than 20 people were arrested.—Reuter.

From Mukden: "Before Ying-harbour becomes icebound it will have to be utilized to the utmost," the dispatch said. Meanwhile, important battles are being fought in the corridor areas between the port of Hulatu and Hsinlin, 35 miles West of Mukden.

Some reports estimated altogether 40,000 men are involved on both sides.—Associated Press.

Footfalls

He described them as "footfalls" for future Nationalist expansion in Manchuria.

General Teng, who flew here two days ago from Mukden, said the two sides would grapple in major decisive battles as the public would see. The present struggle was one of international consequences, not one merely between two Chinese political parties, he said.

He said, the struggle had world character and Chinese civilians know the stake is Democracy. They must abandon their former attitude of indifference to war as if they were simply a third party of neutrals, he said.

General Teng said the Nationalists in North China had five to eight times more combat power than the Reds.

Red Claims

The Red radio, in its broadcast yesterday, had claimed the defeat of Nationalist armies totaling 12 divisions, which would be 120,000 men at full strength.

It said prisoners included six divisional commanders, and large quantities of American made trucks, ammunition and other supplies were captured.

The radio said the Nationalists in Manchuria suffered altogether 300,000 casualties in the last two weeks.

President Chiang Kai-shek, now had left only nine divisions in the Mukden-Yingkow area and 11 around Chinch which commands the port of Hulatu, concluded his 3rd report.

Pro-Government reports said the Reds made a swift descent towards Mukden and attacked defense positions only five miles to the North. The Reds surged toward Mukden after encircling and out-passing Tiehling, Nationalist bastion 40 miles to the Northeast.

Battle City

One report described the Mukden as a battle city. It said there were troop movements through the streets, price触手 new news, most newspapers have stopped publishing and crowds are besieging airline offices for passage.

Other dispatches said some government personnel in Mukden are gathering for evacuation and this has created great excitement among the inhabitants.

One dispatch hinted the Nationalists are going to withdraw

from the city.

Alion Idea

General Lord Ismay, chairman of the Festival Executive set up in April this year following the announcement of the Government's decision to celebrate the centenary of the 1851 Great Exhibition, said:

"Since the original announcement, the international skies have darkened and there is much uncertainty in the minds of men. As a result there may well become who, when they hear the Festival plans, will ask whether the whole project should not be dropped altogether or at least postponed."

"Surely that would be wrong. I can imagine nothing more alien to the British character, or more unworthy of our past, than to take the line that we can do nothing, plan nothing, merely because of the uncertainty of the time."—United Press.

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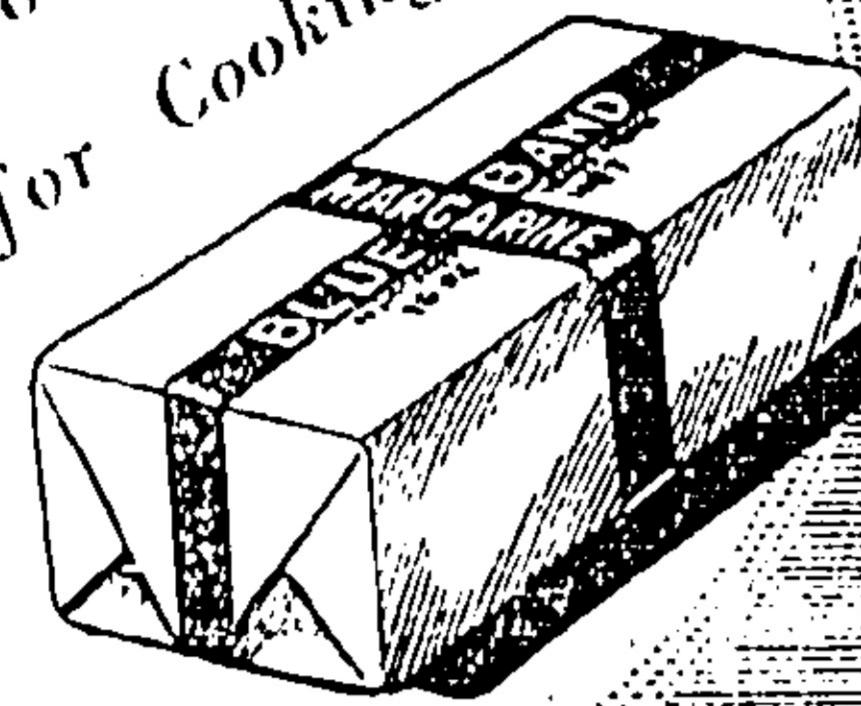
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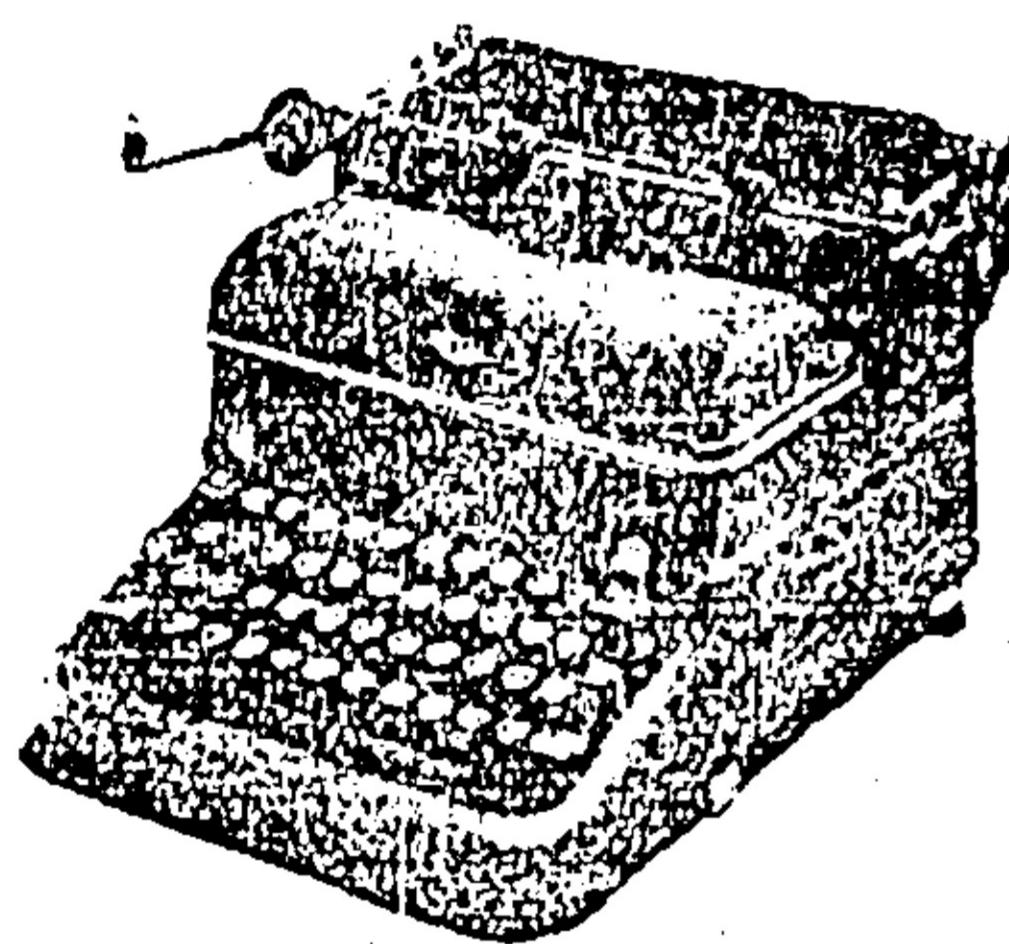
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on Palestine is likely to
find an answer to the Jewish
Arabs dispute, I'll have you over
to the new Mediator, Dr. Ralph
Bunche, who will tell you.

"Listen, I'm a married man
with three kids. I love my
family and I love my home. Do
you think I'd be here if I didn't
think there's a chance of us
finding peace?"

Thus, Ralph Bunche, 44 years
old, 15-stone, broad-shouldered
American negro, successor to
Count Bernadotte assassinated
by Jewish terrorists in Jeru-
salem. He knows the risks he
is taking every hour of every
day he spends in Israel and
Jewish Jerusalem. He figures
those risks worth while. There's
your answer.

Dr. Bunche smiles often, his
brown eyes warm. He smiled
when he told me at his head-
quarters at the Hotel des Rosiers
here: "So far I've only been at-
tacked by the Jewish Press—so far".
But those brown eyes can
harden. The big man can get
tough. His U.S. Marine garrison
sergeant, no baby-faced himself,
told me: "Ralph Bunche can get
tough. Brother, when we're in
this town, stay out of his way."

But life has always been a
tough business for Bunche,
grandson of a slave, Doctor of
Philosophy and Master of Arts,
whose new post has brought
high honour to his race.

Born in Detroit, raised in Los
Angeles, Dr. Bunche followed a
brilliant scholastic career at the
University of California with
post-graduate studies in political
science and international affairs
at Harvard. Such academic
glory doesn't come easily in the
U.S. If you're a negro.

Even now Bunche doesn't talk easily
of his early days.

Then came spells at the
University of Capetown and at
the London School of Economics,
tours of the British, French and

Portuguese, African Colonies, of
Malaya and Indonesia.

For a while he taught at the
all-black Howard University in
Washington. He has been Chair-
man of its Department of Govern-
ment since 1939.

When America came in to
World War 2, Bunche stood out
as an expert on the problems of
coloured peoples. He joined the
"Clark and Dagger" Office of
Strategic Service and served as
chief of the African section
throughout General Eisenhower's
North African campaign. Fol-
lowed a move to the State De-
partment as colonial expert and
final transfer to the newly-
formed United Nations Organiza-
tion and Director of the Trust-
eeship Division.

He came to Palestine as the
Secretary-General of Count Ber-
nadotte's mission and as per-

used to be set. It is also a re-
minder of the risks the United
Nations' personnel take daily
in Palestine. Since May 23, six
Mission members have been
killed and seven wounded.

And outside in the Hotel
des Rosiers plain-clothes' police-
men with Colt 45 automatics in
their hip pockets under smooth-
fitting summer suits coldly eye
all who move through the swing
doors. In the gardens, among the
palm trees and purple bougainvillea, Greek gendarmes in
British Army khaki drill
clump heavily in British Army
boots—with British Army pis-
tols in their holsters.

It was only a series of delays
caused by the arrival of the
plane and the detention for
two hours by Jewish immigration
officials at Haifa airport of his
British Secretary, 28-year-old
blonde Mrs. Doreen Daugh-
ters—which prevented Dr. Bun-
che from making a rendezvous with
Count Bernadotte the day he
was killed. Over two hours late,
Dr. Bunche was unable to take
his usual car sent at Count
Bernadotte's right hand. It was
touch and go for Bunche—and it
is likely to go on being touch
and go.

He is a hard worker. The
big, bare-bellied office
clerk, every day's day in four
and a half months he has flown
over 300 hours in the Mission's
planes, crossed the Atlantic
three times and visited every
Arab capital and Tel Aviv.

Chain-smoking, stabbing at
his ash tray, hunched up in his
dark, conservative suit, his single-
gle-colour ties awry, Bunche
has driven his Mission at full
speed all through the tragic
period in which its morale could
have been seriously shaken.

Whatever he finally achieves
in Palestine, it won't be for
want of trying and he has
already achieved the unanimous
affection and respect of all the
Mission members irrespective
of nationality and rank.

LUCKY EIGHT TO JOIN PIONEERS

By GRAHAM STANFORD

seven British bases in the key link
of South Atlantic islands which
fringe the Antarctic continent.

Nothing lives or grows on these
snow and leeward isles, but winter
and summer the outposts are
managed by small parties of British
meteorologists, geologists, and
radio operators. Their average
age is 26.

They study the weather; inves-
tigate the mineral possibilities;
provide valuable information for
the British whaling industry, and
map a little more of the Antarctic.
Sometimes they find themselves
working on the same islands as
missions from the Argentine and
Chile. They have contact, but
they work alone.

The good ship John Biscoe, now
handed for Blomfield video, is to make
a survey of all the dependencies;
taking out supplies and the right
men who will relieve personnel at
the island outposts.

It also hopes to establish a new
and important base on unknown
Alexander Land, on the verge of
the Antarctic mainland, and if this

POLAR

PIONEERS

is accomplished it will be a
per son for the men of the
Survey.

Ice-packs will make landing
hazardous, but 31-year-old Major
K. S. Pierce-Butler, leader of the
relief party, tells me he's deter-
mined to do it.

While sledging the surveyors
live largely on tinned pemmican
powdered into a concentrated
meat form. It has a high fat con-
tent of about 4,300 calories a day,
but you need that in a winter tem-
perature of minus 30 to minus 42
Centigrade.

A Seven-Day Week

These Polar pioneers spend be-
tween 18 to 30 months on the Survey
and many of them want to go
back. They take it in turns to
cook, and have one party in charge
of the dogs who hunt seals for the
dogs. The dogs, brought from
Labrador, pull 120lb. per sledge
and seem to love it.

One small aircraft will help in
laying depots for the party at
Alexander Land and will also do
reconnaissance work on glaciers.

It's a hard life and there is no
place for the man seeking arti-
ficial amusement. They work
seven days a week, rising at 7.30
a.m., with lights out at 11 p.m.
During the winter they spend
the evenings making dog har-
ness, developing photographs, or
cataloguing scientific information.
Sometimes they may play cards
or read books, but usually they're
too busy.

Essential qualifications are that
men should be good mixers and
able to turn their hand to any
chore. Once posted to a base
there is no escape when the
"freeze-up" comes, and it's not
the time or the place for displays
of temperament.

At the end of each day, in
Court chamberlain lectures them
on "The Emperor's daily life and
other matters."

There is a disturbing reason to
believe that the Imperial Ser-
vice Corps is affiliated with the
Tampopo Kai, or Dandellion So-
ciety, composed of ex-navy-men
who served with carrier-based
bomber units, the Nikko Kurabu,
or Sunlight Club, organised by
Morikawa, and ex-war corre-
spondent, and composed of Japanese
service-men who were in
Rabaul, and the Yuki Kai, or
Great Achievement Society,
membership of which is restricted
to young airmen and particularly
"kamikaze" trainees who were
saved from suicide by the sur-
render.

Copper has been found in some
of the islands and there may be
some oil. But so far minerals
have not been discovered in sub-
stantial quantities.

Cost of the Survey is borne by
the Colonial Office, but all In-
formation is shared with the
Commonwealth Antarctic services.

Britain leads in Antarctic re-
search, and men daily risk their
lives to find out more. Let no
one dispute it.



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JAPANESE NEED WATCHING

By RICHARD HUGHES

Secretly organised by two
militarists, a strong and dangerous
new Japanese youth movement
has deliberately disclosed its
existence and openly claimed a
picked membership of 120,000.

It is called the Imperial Service
Corps (Mikuni Hoshi-Dan) and
its organiser professes, is de-
dicated to clearing up the gar-
bage, mowing the lawns, tending the
vegetables and feeding the
soldiers in the Imperial Palace
grounds in Tokyo.

More than 250 branches of the
movement, it is revealed, are
spread throughout the country.

Membership comprises mainly
middle-class farmers' sons,
teachers, students, police and ex-
servicemen.

All are described as "unpaid
volunteers" and have ostensibly
enrolled to perform only humble
labour duties for an unspecified
period—ranging from one to three
months—in the hidden 500 acres
of garden and farm-lands inside
the palace moat.

Each member must pass a
physical examination at the vil-
lage headquarters of the Corps
and receives an identification
card.

Mysterious Fund

The movement is financed from
some mysterious fund, as the
members receive no pay or ex-
penses from the Imperial House-
hold or any Government source
while they work in the Palace.

The two founders and organi-
sers are Shun Hasegawa, chief
secretary in the old disbanded
Higashikun Cabinet, and Muasi
Kageyama, former official in the
Greater East Asia Academy.

Both are notorious militarists
and fanatical devotees of the
Emperor system.

Hasegawa began secretly to
organise the Imperial Service

WINDOW ON THE WORLD

Since your window—or at any
rate mine—may soon be fogbound,
I have cheering news from Cor-
respondent Geoffrey Barker, New
York, who says that a man-made
lightning flash, over three thousand
times more intense than the sun,
will be used in "the foggiest place in the world!"

By JASPAR SAYER

this autumn in experiments to
make safe landings possible in the
thickest fog.

The experiments are being
made by the U.S. Air Force at
the Landing Aids Experimental
Station in Arcata, California.

The lightning-flash equipment
consists of one battery of 36 in-
tensely bright lights, and a second
battery of 35, slightly less bright.

Each lamp in the battery is a
four-inch long tube filled with
the rare gas, Krypton. When

Corps in his native town in the
Kurkari district as early as Dec-
ember, 1945, using as cover the
need to find 200 gardeners for the
Imperial Palace.

Kageyama joined him in April
1947 and travelled widely
throughout rural areas, appointing
local committees, organising re-
cruiting and arranging finance.

It is now disclosed that the
membership of the Corps has
grown from 14,000 last year to
120,000 this year.

One Tokyo Corps official said
candidly today that the Emperor's
tours of inspection have speeded
up enlistments in every district
which he has visited during the
past twelve months.

Scap Alarmed

Realistic-minded Occupation
officials are frankly alarmed at
the revelation of this widespread
Imperial Service Corps, which
they point out had a notable
parallel in Hitler's early Youth
Labour Corps in Germany.

But they admit that the Em-
peror's official status and accept-
ance in Occupation policy and
administration, combined with the
peculiarly Japanese stranglehold of
a volunteer organisation at-
tached humbly to the Emperor's
person, presents a most embarr-
assing challenge to United Allied
counter-action.

Members of the Imperial Ser-
vice Corps at present working in
the Palace grounds are billeted
in a former Mental Training In-
stitute in the suburb of Yoyogi.

They said that they had al-
ready been received in audience
three times by the Emperor, who
had questioned them paternally
on Japanese and personal matters
and distributed cigarettes to them.

At the end of each day, in
Court chamberlain lectures them
on "The Emperor's daily life and
other matters."

There is a disturbing reason to
believe that the Imperial Ser-
vice Corps is affiliated with the
Tampopo Kai, or Dandellion So-
ciety, composed of ex-navy-men
who served with carrier-based
bomber units, the Nikko Kurabu,
or Sunlight Club, organised by
Morikawa, and ex-war corre-
spondent, and composed of Japanese
service-men who were in
Rabaul, and the Yuki Kai, or
Great Achievement Society,
membership of which is restricted
to young airmen and particularly
"kam

UN COMMISSION URGES CONTINUATION OF KOREAN OCCUPATION

Lake Success, October 29.

The United Nations Commission today called for continuing military occupation of Korea until some procedure could be set up for "peaceful negotiation" between North and South Korea. The eight-nation temporary commission said some such procedure must be arranged "before the military evacuation of occupying forces abandons Korea to the arbitrary rule of rival political regimes whose military forces might find themselves driven to internal warfare."

The report of the commission, which was submitted to the General Assembly in Paris, was simultaneously made public here.

The report described steps taken toward the establishment of a unified, independent government in Korea, but noted "the genuine reality of divided Korea" and recommended that the General Assembly continue to concern itself with the Korean problem, seek the full co-operation of all member States and take such other steps as it may deem fit in bringing about the attainment of national independence and unity of Korea."

The following is a brief summary of the report.

The Commission was denied access to the Soviet-occupied part of the country, but in the American Zone United States officials fulfilled "duties incumbent upon them as the occupying power."

Southern Zone elections were held in a reasonable degree of

Bradley Wants Stable Policy

Chicago, October 29. General Omar Bradley, the United States Chief-of-Staff, declared in a speech here that although the possibility of war with Russia was a "matter of grave concern", it was far more probable that the United States and Russia would continue to live in a state of tension "for a generation or more".

If that happened there was a danger that the American defense forces would be allowed to deteriorate, because of boredom, he said.

It was better to live in tension than "exhaust ourselves in war". The country needed a stable long-range military policy, which would not shift "every time a paper is rustled" east of the Elbe." —Reuter.

Stuttgart Germans Riot Over High Living Costs

Stuttgart, October 30.

The German police said on Friday that they had found five known Communist sympathizers among 32 Germans arrested in Stuttgart on Thursday for rioting against German police and American soldiers.

This was disclosed by Herr Paul Frank, Commander of Stuttgart's German police. The police had reported earlier that there were no known Communists arrested.

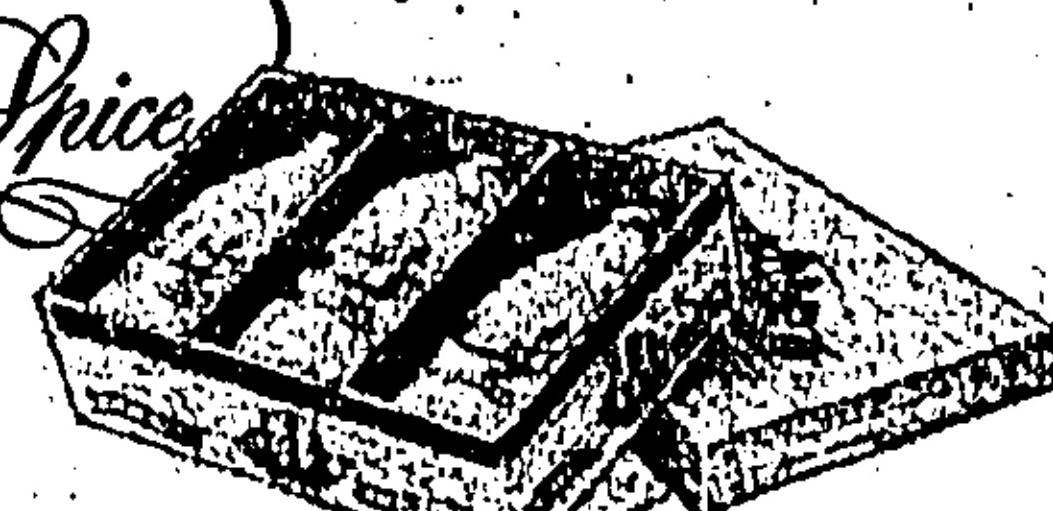
Herr Frank emphasized, however, that he did not know whether political or criminal reasons inspired the rioting after a mass demonstration against the high cost of living.

He said there was much genuine resentment against high prices. Herr Frank quoted the district police chief of the riot area as expressing belief that "black marketeers tried to pit the masses again the police."

Five American military police and at least 12 Germans were injured in the rioting—the first clash of the German public with the American military since the war.

Herr Frank absolved Hans Stelter, Chief Speaker at the de-

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Neither Prison Nor Exile Will Make President Resign

Lima, October 29. The Right Wing revolution led by the Army today took control of Peru but failed to force President Jose Luis Bustamante to resign.

At 6.45 p.m. Senor Bustamante remained in the Presidential Palace. He said: "I have not resigned the legal Presidency of Peru and will not resign, regardless of whether I am imprisoned or forced into exile. I shall remain legal President until I leave the frontiers of the country."

According to rebel Army leaders, the President will be placed aboard a plane and sent to Buenos Aires tonight. The two-day revolt has been bloodless so far. No violence was reported anywhere. The Palace was surrounded by troops who joined the revolt. They kept back the milling crowds of spectators.

A group of about 200 friends and associates gathered at the Palace to bid the President goodbye. He was applauded when he reiterated his determination not to resign, regardless of whether he was imprisoned or exiled.

At seven p.m. Peru Radio announced in the name of the revolution, that Senor Bustamante no longer was President and that the Military Junta had taken over the Government.

Off The Air

Radio Nacional, the Government's broadcasting station, and Radio American went off the air at three p.m., reporting that the Ministry of the Interior and the police had ordered them to suspend operations.

Commanders of the Second Army Division based in Lima demanded General Federico Hurtado, Inspector General of the Army, that they no longer recognized the Government's authority because it planned to send Army and air forces to put down the revolt in the South, which would result in large-scale bloodshed.

The Division commanders demanded that President Bustamante surrender the Government to the Military Junta, but Senor Bustamante said the obligation of the Government was to destroy the sedition movement by all means at its disposal.

He added that the way to avoid bloodshed was for the rebels to surrender their arms. He said he had not wanted to be President in the first place, but the people had placed him there. He added that he had a deep sense of responsibility and would not resign.

Heavy Odds

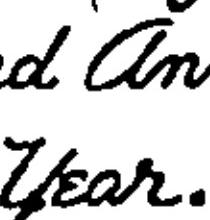
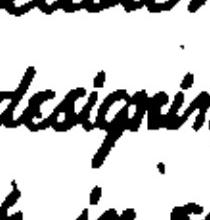
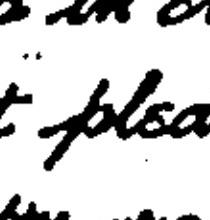
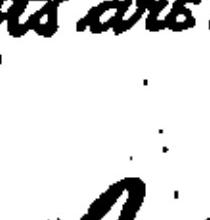
Athens, October 29. The Greek Government tonight issued a decree extending martial law to the whole country from tomorrow. The Greek Army will take over the maintenance of public order from the civil authorities. Extraordinary military courts will be set up and a curfew imposed.

The Greek Government, in promulgating the decree, acted on a recommendation of the Minister of War, M. George Stratos, who has recently returned from a tour of Macedonia.

Martial law has hitherto been in effect only in the Attica

Bacchis area (since the assassination last May of the Minister of Justice, M. Christos Ladas, and since last weekend in the Peloponnesus, where guerrilla activity recently flared up).

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BETWEEN OURSELVES
A GOWN FOR THE BALL

(By JANET MARTIN)

The greatest beauty, richness and elegance of the season's fashions are usually to be found in its formal evening gowns, and this season is no exception to the rule.

The romantic gown, with its billowing crinoline skirt and strapless bodice is just as firm a favourite as ever, but the designers have been delving even further back into history for new inspirations.

From the courts of the First Empire, they have recreated the high waisted gown, caught with a ribbon below the bust and falling to the ankle in filmy, transparent folds. From the sculptures of Ancient Greece they have brought the graceful draping in rather formal folds, set off with embroidery and jewels in the Greek key motif, while in Cleopatra's Egypt, they find inspiration from richly swathed draping and the splendour of baroque jewellery.

For your evening gown in the grand manner, you can let imagination run riot through an almost bewildering variety of choice, as a description of a few of these widely divergent styles will show. Illustrated are two models which indicate the poles between which fashion's fancy may range.

One is in the romantic style, a personification of the Spirit of Eternal Youth, worn by Miss Susan Shaw. Frothy layers of tulle in lime green and primrose yellow reveal a shimmer of emerald and deep green in the full gathered skirt and daintily gathered bodice. The berthe decollete is stiffened to hold a little flower garden of primulas and narcissus at the neck and shoulders. The theme of delicacy is repeated in the jewellery, alligree gold necklace with matching bracelet.

Egyptian Trend

The other is a Carven model in the Egyptian trend. Lustrous black silk velvet moulds the strapless bodice, swaths the hips and falls in rich folds to conceal sandalled toes. The wide jewelled midriff is embroidered with hieroglyphics, while Boucheur diamond motifs hung over the forehead.

Of the Empire styles, one of the loveliest I have seen is in pale lavender chiffon trimmed with violet satin ribbons. The gown is sunray pleated from shoulder to hem. Ribbon bows catch the pleats on either shoulder, from which the pleats spray out to form the very short crossover bodice.

From another ribbon, bound just below the breast, the pleated skirt hangs straight down to ankle length. This style calls for a high-piled coiffure, bound with a dainty fillet and violet lace mittens, elbow length. Went with it an evening coat in dark blue crepe, peignoir styled, like Harede Amies model, with its wide pleated shell sleeves.

After the Greek manner, there is a statuesque model in heavy white crepe, caught on one shoulder by an antique clasp, leaving the other bare, draped across the bodice to an intricate pleated skirt of mannered folds. The bodice edge and skirt hem are embroidered with band stripes in a formulaic key pattern. This idea has many possibilities for a variety of lovely draped effect and looks equally attractive, if not quite so Greek, when trimmed with jewelled embroidery or gold brocade.

A New Alliance

Rose satin and black lace form a new alliance in another luxurious model. The satin skirt is full gathered and panniered to give a rose petal effect. The strapless corset bodice is covered with a film of black lace, across the top with a front slit in the skirt to allow room for dancing, has a stiff, jewelled fold around bare shoulders and long tight sleeves from upper arm to wrist.

In a formulaic key pattern. This idea has many possibilities for a variety of lovely draped effect and looks equally attractive, if not quite so Greek, when trimmed with jewelled embroidery or gold brocade.



Busan Shaw wears this flowing frock in frothy tulle, the berthe decollete stiffened to reveal primulas and narcissus at the neck and shoulders. —J. Arthur Rank Organization.



The ancient art of Egypt inspired this brown velvet evening gown by Carven, with gold corset embroidery and hieroglyphics. The diamond motif on the forehead carries out the Sphinx look.

effect of mandarin style jacket over slim skirt. A gown in deep green crepe, cut on slender clinging lines, with a front slit in the skirt to allow room for dancing, has a stiff, jewelled fold around bare shoulders and long tight sleeves from upper arm to wrist.

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RECIPES

BAKED BANANA DESSERT.

5 bananas, rind and juice 1 lemon, 1 dessertspoon brown sugar, 2 eggs, 3/4 pint milk, 1 dessertspoon sugar, vanilla, 2 tablespoons castor sugar, coconut.

Separate the white from the yolks of eggs, and beat the egg yolks with the dessertspoon of sugar. Heat the milk and pour on beaten egg yolks. Cook in a double saucepan until thick.

Flavour with vanilla. Chill. Peel and slice the bananas. Add the lemon juice and brown sugar.

Mix well and place in serving dish. Stiffly beat the egg whites.

Gradually add the castor sugar and beat until the sugar has dissolved.

Add half the meringue to the cold custard and mix thoroughly.

Pour over the fruit. Top with remainder of meringue and sprinkle with coconut.

CREAM OF MUSHROOM SOUP.

1/2 lb. mushrooms, 1 pint water or stock, 1/2 pint milk, 1-tablespoon shortening, 1-tablespoon flour, 1 small onion, 1 stick celery, salt and pepper to taste, croutons, finely chopped parsley.

Peel the mushrooms, celery and onion and cut into dice.

Melt the shortening. Add the diced vegetables and stir over the fire until the steam rises.

Add the stock and simmer, very gently until the vegetables are soft.

Rub through a strainer. Return to the saucepan.

Blend the flour with a little of the milk and add the remainder of the milk to the purée.

Heat until almost boiling

then thicken with the blended flour.

Add salt and pepper to taste and serve very hot with croutons of fried or baked bread and sprigs of finely chopped parsley.

Carmen Temple
A Bachelor Complains

Why do women invariably make excuses when they don't want to accept an invitation? Surely the average man much prefers a straightforward non-acceptance, as he is not so concealed as to think he is her only beau. — DISGUSTED BACHELOR.

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How often do you yourself give a "straightforward" non-acceptance?" "No thanks. I've got something better!"

The average man is every whit as elaborate in his excusing as the average woman. It's in the right direction--refusals should certainly carry some gracefulness.

The error is more in the reticent at a polite rejection than in the kindness of heart that tries to make the rejection easier.

Since food or the lack of it seems to be the problem of the day, are people who get spiritual food as well more able to cope with life in general? C. C. F. Of course they are. Spiritual food undoubtedly energises and nourishes. The very lack of it minimises the power of the body's resources to "cope with life."

But the operative word is "food." It is not a vague quest of the spirit, a formless purposeless waiting, but a strong taking from a reservoir that is uncontaminated by materialism.

Instead of experimenting with New Looks, why, oh why, can't they do something to help us keep what beauty we have?

I have lovely hair and simply dread its turning completely grey. Many of us are going grey in our twenties—it glistens.

Can't the scientists do anything? Is it something to do with the diet? Please, we implore you, get something going to lift our morale. —SEVEN SINGATURES.

ALL I can give you is hope—hope which, of course, is not itself a bad "restorer," provided you really let yourself go on it.

I am told that diet is accountable. Lack of fats for a long period tells severely against hair health. So do nerve strain and worry.

BUT it seems that hair greying from these causes can regain its natural colour and texture if it's something to go on with—until the scientists turn from atom bomb research to pigment secrets.

DRESS WELL

When you dress, is it a scrambled affair that takes in one hurried snatch at the first frock in your wardrobe, one clutch at mis-matched bag, gloves and shoes, and a hasty "that'll do" to yourself as you rush by the mirror?

Or do you plan with care, with a thought for your type, for fashion, with an extra thought for the occasion? If you do, the chances that you're dressed in the Right Look are pretty much in your favour; but if you would avoid the tiniest margin of doubt, there are two questions you must ask yourself before you go out: Does the outfit suit me? Is it suitable for the occasion?

A careful, unbiased look in the mirror will answer your first question (remembering that, to suit you well, a dress and its accessories should highlight your best points, minimise your bad ones, give you a sure feeling that not one thing could be added or taken away).

The second question is a little more difficult to resolve, so here's a guide for you to follow—one that should help you to be wise, as well as well dressed.

Simple Rules

FROCKS: There's a simple rule about suitability that you must remember here—when in doubt, whether to wear the plain or fancy, choose the plain. That is, if you're a luncheon date and aren't sure what type of restaurant your escort will choose, and if you're wavering between blue velvet with a bolder skirt and plain grey Jersey—choose the jersey.

GLOVES: In mild weather, you should wear them in town and you can wear them with formal clothes.

SLACKS: Remember that they were originally intended for lounging, and it won't be easy to wear them on an unsuitable occasion. They're perfect around the home, and some people like velvet ones for informal home parties, but the feeling is that they're not in good taste for general public wear.

SHORTS: are abbreviated slacks, so follow the rules above.

STOCKINGS: very important indeed. For you look so much better with them, no matter how lovely your legs might be. Don't forget to see that the seams are straight.

SHOES: They are not strictly necessary for general wanderings, but without one you will never seem to be dressed-up.

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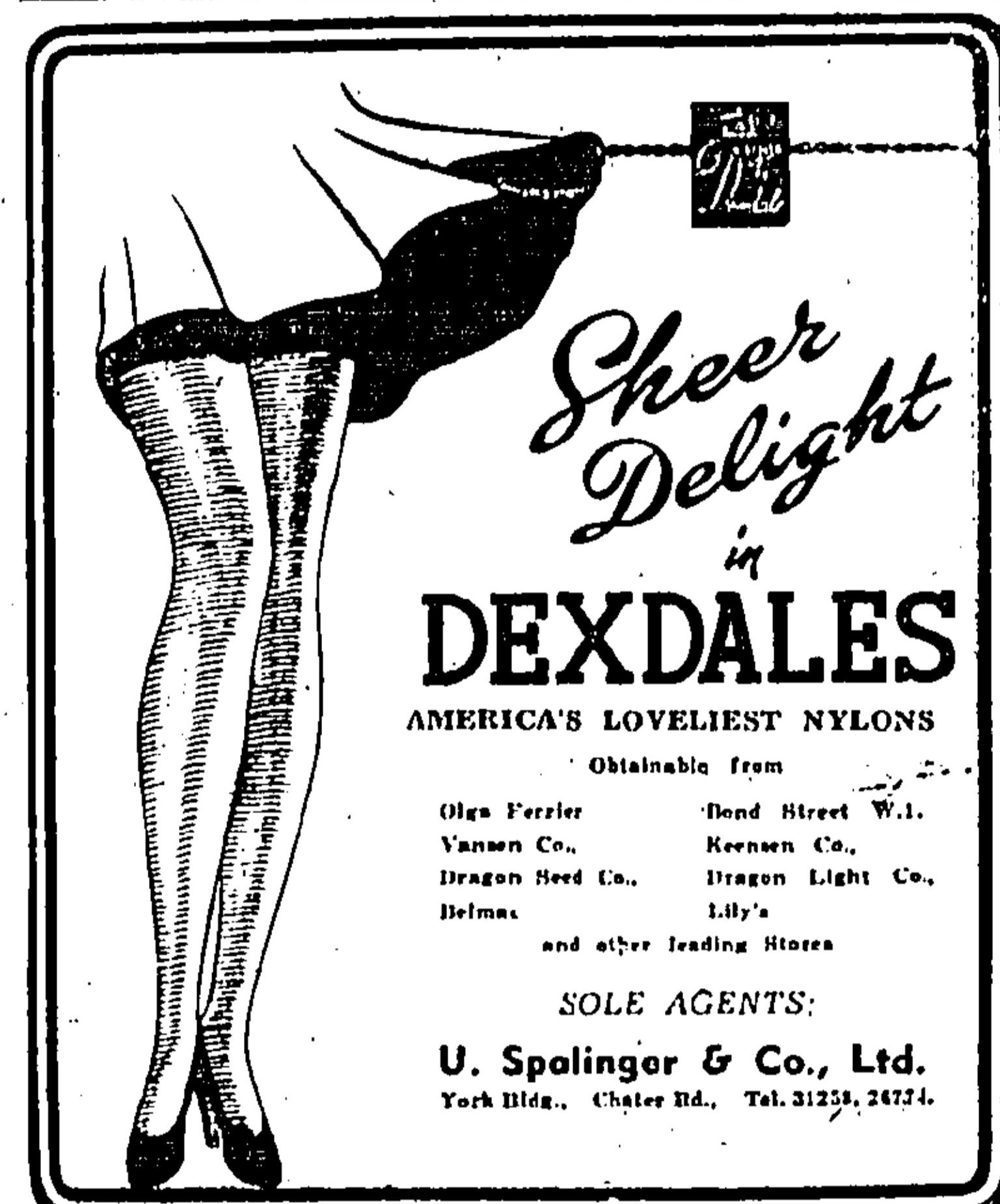
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Between Ourselves: Continued from Page 18**BRONZE VERSUS ROSE**

(By CLAUDIA)

Now we are reaching the time of year when we have to decide on winter colour schemes... for complexions as well as for clothes. Are we to keep the golden glow of summer, or are we to go all milk and roses for the winter season?

The favourite shades of the season's fashions... the stepped down tones of taupe and mocha, the muted greys, the deep near-to-blacks... demand a creamy skin, with delicately tinted cheeks and rosy lips. They enhance the freshness of the milkmaid complexion, but against a tanned skin they appear dull, undecided, lose their subtlety and charm.

They are not the only shades on Fashion's winter palette, for there are the clearer, stepped-up tones, by way of contrast. These will be the choice for the girl who decides to keep her tan; the greens, stepped up through blue to tones of turquoise and peacock; the browns, stepped up by pink to coral and tomato tints; as well as the clearest of pale greys, the fresh greens and leaf browns.

In the event, it is the skin texture and the kind of life one leads, which will decide the issue. The outdoor girl, whose skin toasts to a golden brown will find enough winter sun to keep it so all the year round.

Her care will be to avoid the least suspicion of a weather-beaten look and now, between the hot summer sun and the chilly winter winds, she will give her skin an extra course of softening and nourishing. A weekly facial of the non-bleach variety will keep the skin fresh. A gentle massage, on alternate days, with a good skinfood will restore the natural oils of the skin which the sun and wind tend to dry out. On the other days, she will use a soothing complexion milk to keep the surface skin soft and supple. Her make-up will include a light, protective cream and will not be applied too heavily.

A Deep Tan

There is another type of skin which takes on a deep and abiding ineradicable tan, for the tan penetrates through several layers of skin. Apart from an indoor life and a long, sunless winter, it is almost impossible to remove and, in my own opinion, the effort would be wasted, for it can look better than your round if colour schemes are suited to enhance the rich skin tone.

This type of skin is often inclined to be a little greasy, but it still needs nourishment to avoid wrinkles. A light and not too oily night cream is the best skinfood and should be used alternately with a mild astringent complexion milk and lots of skin tonic.

Wash unpeeled cucumbers, grate press. The juice is heated skinned and boiled for 45 minutes, then cooled and filtered. Let stand for 12 hours and filter again an old, clean cotton cloth until clear.



"Dear Mr. Mamak,

I am a woman of moderate means and my wardrobe, this winter, will have only three costumes—Navy, Beige and grey. Can you suggest just one shade in lipstick—for day wear—that will go with the above colours. I am 35 and medium."

MODERATE BUT MODERN.

Your best bet will be a delicate shade of pink. There is a new shade in town called "Pink Serendipity" which is just the answer. It will go beautifully with your three costume colours described above. Try it.

Some cosmetic counters in town are offering free expert service in make-up and facilities to try their cosmetics before you buy them. It would be wise and also

a lot of fun playing around with colours in lipsticks, rouge etc., at no cost to you, before you actually buy your beauty aids.



"I am 23 years old. My skin is normal. Please suggest a make-up foundation that will last for at least 10 hours. You see, I leave home around 8:30 in the morning and am not back until 6:30 p.m." HARD WORKING OFFICE GIRL.

Arm yourself with a reliable cake foundation for a lasting effect. However, I strongly suggest that you maintain a small beauty kit in your place of work, or shall I say "hard work." There is nothing like freshening your make-up just before leaving for

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"Say it with clothes" should be the sub-title of a book on "The Art of English Costume," by Dr. C. Willott Cunningham.

The officer's uniform tells his subordinates "Obey me," the judge's robes and the clergyman's cloth declare "Respect me," the professor's gown murmurs "Listen to the voice of learning."

And what most of us wear proclaims "This is what I am" or, more frequently, "This is what I want you to think me."

Feminine attire has for refrain: "Do look at me and please be enslaved if you are a man."

A language so universal cannot help revealing national traits and temporary fads. Foreign terms may be adopted, but are always adapted. A particularly startling mode is short-lived, like queer expressions of the "Skin off your nose" type.

From flight to the newest look, is a story of perennial attractiveness. Eve's daughters and Adam's sons, no less, become clothes-rivalling characters. Both add spice to our lives every single day. And girls, poor benighted creatures, do not share our fun.

An expert on the subject of clothes easily commands our attention. Among such experts Dr. Cunningham holds a distinguished place.

His impulsive purchase in 1870 snatchedly surpasses the exquisite chic of the early George III, era, or of Beau Brummell's starched cravat dictatorship?

Quoting again: "The modern man's clothing is designed to express the wearer's masculine competence; this is effected by a harmonious combination of details. You may not be able to tell a duke by his clothes; you can tell a dud."

But I seem to hear the formidable regiment of women preparing an attack. "What about us?" is the war-cry I seem to hear.

Please forgive me, ladies, I was merely reserving the plums for the dessert.

Dr. Cunningham avers that you choose for preference the "aphrodisiac motif," the disguise of mysteriousness which dares man solve the eternal riddle of femininity.

Swing Of The Belts

He expounds at length on the periodic concealment and display of parts of your anatomy—the hand, the arm, the ankle, a kind of strip-tease which is invariably followed by the tenter putting on once more her discarded finery.

During the Napoleonic Wars belles carried only some 10oz. of clothes. In 1827 the pendulum had swung—parachute-wide skirts and leg-of-mutton sleeves were topped by immense hats, sometimes trimmed with 120ft. of ribbon and decorated with such a lot of flowers and feathers that in very dogs in the street burked in protest."

Some 60 years ago fashionable women "staggered under a stone and a half" of winter clothing in order to keep abreast with the modes of the day."

Today lightweights are again in the ascendant... But "It is difficult to attempt to claim the title of the ascendant," he states, "at what period the art of costume reached its apex in this country, it would be difficult to say about 1870."

"The period was distinguished by the introduction of highly important new ideas. The evolution of the walking dress, the sports costume, and the "tailor-made" style for the first time in the history of women's dress, marked a profound change in their social status, and were, in fact, the only original ideas contributed to feminine costume since the 14th century."

"In addition, man's clothing had begun to shake itself free from the last vestiges of the old 'penciled' tradition, and was acquiring the 'holy-new' notion of physical comfort—a homely but significant innovation."

"It is worth noting that all these new ideas were contributed by this country, which, we are so often told, always lags behind the others in the art of costume."

Here, straightway, is a challenging assertion. Do you agree?

Dick Record said he was covering a boxing match the other night.

Suddenly the two contestants spoke to each other, stopped fighting and got back into their corners.

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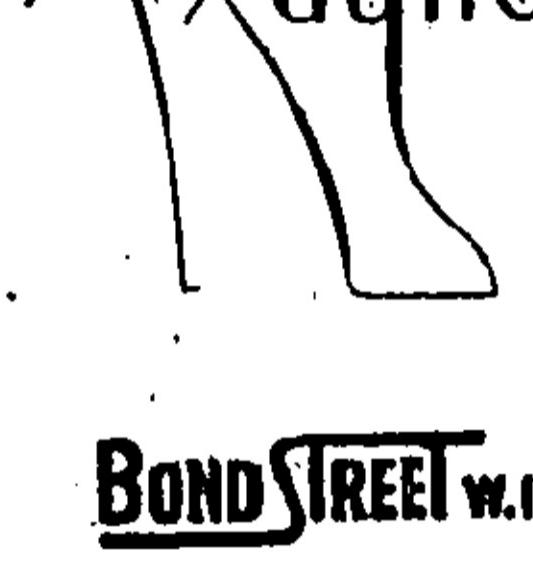
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London, October 29.

The attention of London Stock Exchange dealers has been centred in iron and steel shares. Details of the Government's bill to nationalise the industry were published during the closing stages of the day.

Previously, trading in the iron and steel sector was inactive. Prices showed a sharp upward movement as fears began to cover in front of the announcement.

In other sectors, business was small. The present trading period is drawing to a close and today's transactions were mainly for the purpose of settling positions.

Offered stocks were mostly dear, it would appear that the recent decline in this section has been halted.

Industrial issues generally showed little change. Brewery and building shares, however, were under no weighty selling. Metalworking leaders were without major movement.

Some gains were recorded for the leaders in the oil market. Anglo-Iranian gained ahead to \$41.16.

South African mining were lower with Free State issues and even the dividend payers out of favour.

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A Tennis and Cocktail Party in honour of Sir Max Kau and Lady Lo was given by the Committee and Members of the Chinese Recreation Club at CRC yesterday. Among those present were the Hon. D. M. McDougall, Hon. R. R. Todd, and Mr. J. J. Cowperthwaite.

The Hon. D. M. McDougall and Mr. Lee Yue-wing beat Mr. Wong Shui-wing and Mr. Lau Fok-ki in the final game of the Tournament. Lady Grantham presented the winners with the prizes. All the players who participated in the Tournament received a spoon.

Featherweight Champion Loses His Title

New York, October 30.

Sandy Saddler of Harlem, explosive young negro, wrested the world featherweight championship from Willie Pep last night. He won by a knock out after 2 mins. 38 secs. of the fourth round at Madison Square Garden.

NINE OTHER CONVICTIONS

Sentenced on Friday to two years' hard labour by Mr. W. H. Lutiner on the charge of entering and stealing, Ching Yiu alias Tsai Kau alias Tsie Kwan alias Wong Hing-ki alias Li Kwan was yesterday committed to trial on the charge of breach of deportation order.

Defective Sub-Inspector W. G. Morrison said that defendant, who had nine previous convictions since 1932, including two for breach of deportation order and four for returning from banishment, was banished for life on May 8 this year.

He was arrested on October 24 by a police constable at Jordan Road, after he had stolen two pieces of clothing from a hut on the roof of 70 Shanghai Street.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE

At the request of Detective-Inspector C. Downing, Li Ping-kuo, 25-year-old cook food stall folk, was at K. Wong yesterday remanded by Mr. J. Wick for three days on the charge of manslaughter.

In making the application, Det.-Inspector Downing said that the first defendant in the case, Li Chong, was still in hospital.

As the death of Lee Cheung at Cheunshewan on October 26 was the result of one of those gang fights, said Det.-Inspector Downing, it was really in the interest of the accused to be remanded in police custody.

SCHOOL TENNIS

The following tennis games in the School Boys' Blindele will be played at the Chinese Recreation Club this afternoon:-

- No. 1 Court—Leung Hui-shiu v. Lee Cheuk-yue (3 p.m.).
- No. 1 Court—Wong Shik-man v. Chung Yue-to (4.30 p.m.).
- No. 2 Court—Maurice Ma v. Lau Cho-pun (5 p.m.).
- No. 2 Court—Henry Linton v. Wong Chun-fuk (4.30 p.m.).
- No. 3 Court—Keng-chai v. Ho Hui-po (4 p.m.).
- No. 3 Court—Hinch Chau v. Wong Kam-shing (4.30 p.m.).
- No. 4 Court—Lin Hei-lin v. George Lin (4.30 p.m.).
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Recreio First XI Beat Club By 14 Runs

E.L. Gosano Makes 79 And Takes Five Wickets

The biggest surprise in yesterday's First Division Cricket was the defeat of HKCC Scorpions at King's Park by Club de Recreio, who won by the narrow margin of 14 runs!

The only Scorpion batsman to make a stand was F. Howarth, who scored a fine 57 not out. E.L. Gosano was the most successful Recreio bowler, taking five wickets for 27 runs. At Chater Road, an exciting finish marked the drawn game between HKCC Optimists and Royal Navy. Batting first, the Optimists scored 187 runs for five declared, to which total L.D. Kilbeck and N.R. Oliver contributed 61 and 64, respectively.

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Two more draws were E.C.C. and Crampton against Happy Valley, while the HKCC Optimists and Royal Navy drew 211 to 211. The Optimists opened with 142 to 6.

In the second division, D.A.C. drew with R.A.F. and T.R.C. drew with R.M.C. T.R.C. scored 191 to 10.

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